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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### TRIP TO CHINA

FROM this morning's news it would seem that the State Department has failed to persuade 41 young people to give up plans to visit China. They are now heading for the Chinese border from Moscow, though of course it is quite possible that the long uncomfortable train ride will provide opportunities for some to recant the warning by Mr. Christian Herter, acting Secretary of State, that their passports will be confiscated if they persevere, and the actual number entering China may be fewer.

But this cannot provide the American authorities with much consolation. True, passports are not individual property but belong to the issuing Government. And there is no reason to doubt that the State Department is determined to take the action it has threatened. Previous policy statements reveal that the object is to avoid a precedent which others can exploit. The few who have defied the State Department ruling have been sternly dealt with, though the Department's right to confiscate passports is being legally contested on the ground that it denies the individual's right to free travel.

### COMPLICATED

DOUBTLESS those who are planning this latest escapade into the forbidden Middle Kingdom are pinning their hopes upon some favourable outcome that would restrain the Government from taking action, but it is a complicated question and neither the young people visiting China, nor Mr. Herter have made out a really impressive case.

Mr. Herter's statement is perhaps more remarkable. Less plausible and woolly than the young people's assertion that "our exercise of the right of US citizens to travel is consistent with loyalty to our country," he warns of possible legal consequences and adds, somewhat recklessly that a "quasi state of war exists". This is most difficult to swallow.

He is possibly referring to the Korean War, in which incidentally a United Nations force comprising contingents from several nations participated. A truce has been signed and hostilities are now at an end. Tension may still exist requiring the redeployment of American forces to South Korea, but can this seriously be described as a quasi state of war, particularly as the threat comes not from Chinese, but North Korean territory?

### FICTITIOUS?

ACCORDING to the meaning selected for the word "quasi" (i.e. seemingly, not really, practically, half, almost) the degree of justification for the American viewpoint varies. Obviously what is "not really" could mean anything from non-existent to fictitious. Not even Secretaries of State are able to give substance to essentially empty words. But Mr. Herter is on more substantial ground when he refers to existing laws which may—but only may—permit the Government to launch prosecutions.

It is a pity that responsible men like Mr. Herter have to use cheap clichés like "willing tool of Communist propaganda." Name calling is a rather childish pursuit. But it does indicate what a flimsy foundation the dictum of "No travel to China" rests upon. Arbitrary authority may well prevail against the youth delegation, but it would seem that if the American Government has no better case to produce, the ban as it stands cannot for much longer remain the formidable deterrent the Government would like it to be.

# SYRIAN ENVOY EXPELLED

## United States Retaliates Against Removal Of American Officials

Washington, Aug. 14.

THE United States today declared the Syrian Ambassador and a member of his staff were unacceptable in retaliation for the removal of three American officials from Syria on charges of taking part in a spy plot.

The State Department declared Ambassador Faride Zeineddine persona non grata. Dr Tassiss Zakaria, Second Secretary of the Syrian Embassy, was likewise declared not welcome to the United States.

This means Zeineddine, who left for Syria several weeks ago, is barred from returning to the United States. Zakaria was a key figure in the Syrian plot.

The State Department announcement of this retaliatory action added that the American Ambassador to Syria, Mr. James S. Moise, Jr., who left Damascus on June 30 for reassignment, is not returning to Syria to wind up his affairs.

### SLANDEROUS

These steps were announced after Syrian Charge d'Affaires Mamoun Hamel was summoned to the State Department. He spent 15 minutes with Assistant Secretary of State William M. Rountree.

The announcement said Rountree handed the Syrian Charge d'Affaires a "strong protest" against the Government inspired slanderous campaign which has been carried on against the United States by the Syrian press and by the official Syrian radio, and against the allegations regarding United States involvement in a plot against the Syrian Government.

## DIPLOMATS DENY SYRIAN CHARGES

Beirut, Aug. 14.

Howard Stone and Francis Jitton, two of the three American diplomats who were expelled from Syria today, said here that they had no idea why they had been charged by the Syrian authorities with "plotting against the Syrian Government."

In an interview with an AFP correspondent on the edge of a swimming pool at the Hotel Excelsior here, the two men said they had had no advance indication that they would be accused of participation in the "plot," which was described

## Altrincham Challenged

London, Aug. 14.

Lord Altrincham, who has aroused a furore in Britain because he criticised the entourage of Queen Elizabeth, has been challenged to a duel by an unnamed "resident of Kent", it was disclosed today.

Lord Altrincham has refused the challenge.

The "Resident of Kent" writes: "I hereby challenge you to a duel with rifles or revolvers, in defence of the Queen's name. Choose your weapons and name the hour and place. I have nothing to lose. In my heart I feel that I have not long to live, but rest assured that there will be only one victor, and that is me."

Duelling has been forbidden by law in Britain for some 150 years.—France-Press.

## Golden Desert Chariot

Paris, Aug. 14.  
EMIR Ali bin Thani of Qatar presented King Saud of Saudi Arabia with the world's most sumptuous motor car—gold trimmed, air conditioned, and costing an estimated US\$100,000—during his recent pilgrimage to Mecca, the Egyptian newspaper Al Massara reported in an issue reaching Paris today.

All the door handles and other metal accessories in the car are solid gold, except those for the driver who must content himself with door handles and other fixtures made only of pure silver.

The car seats seven persons comfortably, and is automatically air-conditioned.—France-Press.

## 30 SLEEPY SOLDIERS ROBBED

Metz, Aug. 14.

Two French thieves were taken into custody today after robbing 30 American soldiers who put up no more defence than a sleepy snore.

On the night of August 2, Louis Villeneuve and Robert Bobin drove into the American Army camp of Tournebrière near Metz on their scooter-bike. They walked into a dormitory where some 30 American soldiers were sleeping, ransacked all the soldiers' effects, turned out their pockets, and helped themselves.

### LITTLE NERVOUS

Villeneuve was a little nervous, so Bobin—to calm him—picked up a tool and threw it 10 yards away, where it landed with a clatter.

A few soldiers opened an eye and grumbled. They all went back to sleep.

The two housebreakers finished their job at leisure. They went off with some 300,000 francs (about \$850) worth of personal and army goods, identity papers, petrol ration coupons, and some American dollars, and a conviction that Americans are sound sleepers.—France-Press.

## ACROBAT LOSES TEETH

Rome, Aug. 14.

Two acrobats were injured today in a circus act when one of them lost his teeth.

The men were performing a trapeze act at the circus of Tevere. One acrobat hung by his feet from a trapeze, supporting the weight of the second by a strap gripped to his teeth.

There was a gasp and a cry from the audience as the second acrobat suddenly plunged downward, followed by the first, whose teeth had been pulled out by the weight on them.

Both acrobats, Tito Gladi, 28, and Aldo Rossante, 31, suffered multiple fractures.—France-Press.

## Strike Spreads

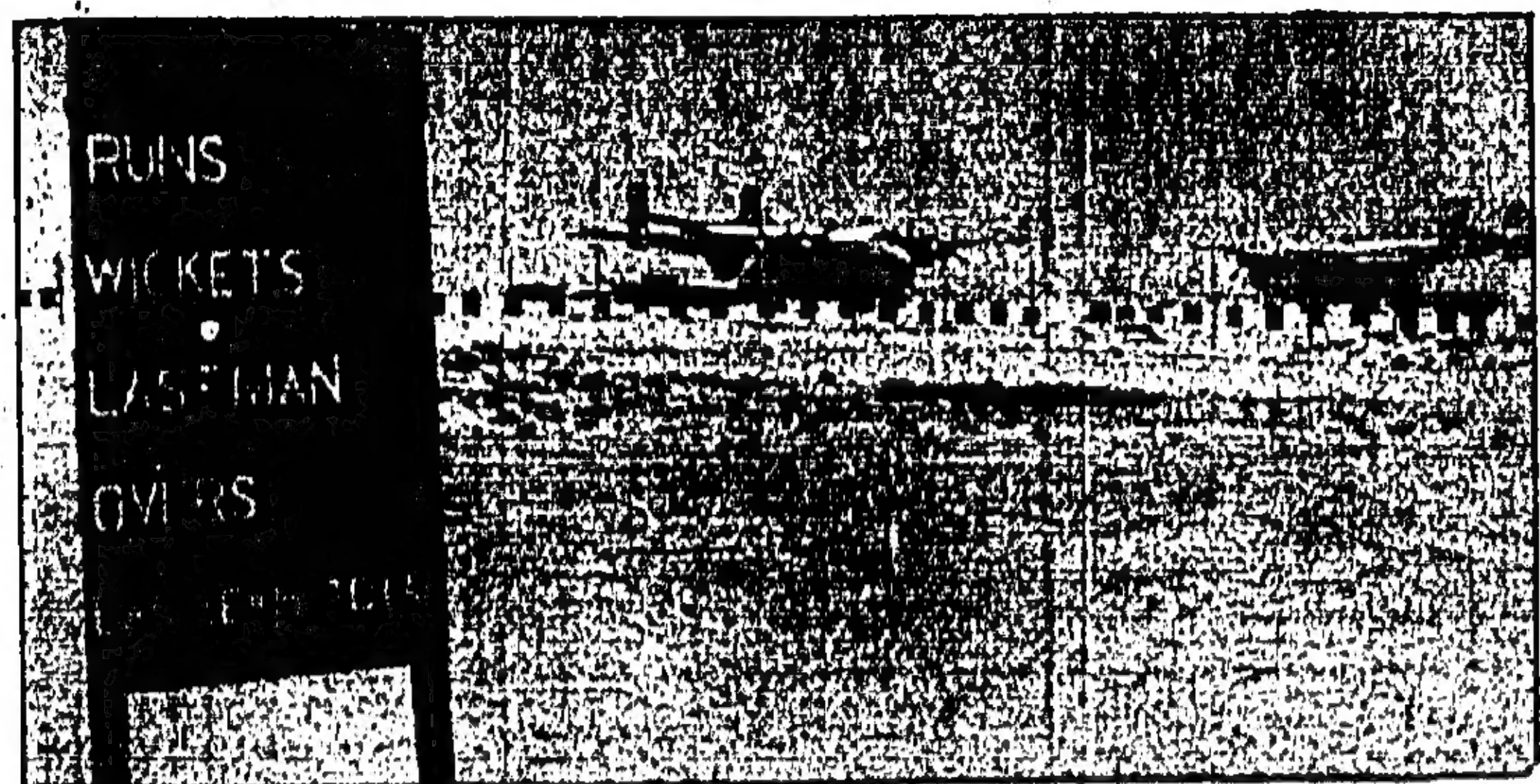
London, Aug. 14.

The strike of London dock workers spread to another 600 workers this afternoon, involving more than a third of the dockers in the waterfront.

Altogether 9,494 dockers had halted work in the afternoon, as compared with 8,997 this morning.

This strike completely immobilised 74 ships in the port, while the unloading of four oiler ships was partially interrupted.—France-Press.

## RADIO WAR ON DESERT AIRFIELD



## IKE'S AID BILL SLASHED ONCE AGAIN

Washington, Aug. 14.

A HOUSE appropriations subcommittee threw defiance at President Eisenhower tonight by trimming another \$842 million from his embattled foreign aid programme.

The group approved a \$2,524,760,000 foreign aid money bill only a few hours after Mr. Eisenhower declared that he would recall the lawmakers in special session this autumn if they failed to vote enough funds to protect the nation's peace and security.

Informed of the subcommittee's action, the White House Press Secretary, Mr. James C. Hagerty, said only: "I think we'll stand on what we said today."

### Not Enough

Mr. Eisenhower had told an extraordinary news conference that he wanted the full \$3,367,000,000 provided in a foreign aid authorisation bill on which the House completed congressional action earlier today. He said even this was not enough but he would settle for it.

But the economy-minded subcommittee, meeting behind closed doors, slashed an additional \$350 million from the President's military aid requests, \$165 million more from defence support aid and \$200 million from Mr. Eisenhower's developmental loan plan.

The subcommittee total still could be increased before the bill finally is passed. The measure now goes before the full appropriations committee and then to the House floor where the Administration undoubtedly will try to reverse some of the reductions.—United Press.

## Impaled On Wood Shaft

Capetown, Aug. 14.

Mr. P.S.J. Van Heerden Oberholzer was tonight reported to be making a good recovery in hospital after being impaled for more than an hour on a five-inch thick wooden shaft.

Mr. Oberholzer was driving his car when he collided with a donkey-drawn cart. The shaft of the cart went through the car's bonnet, battery and dashboard, penetrating his body and finally stopping against the back of the door frame.

Police rescued him by sawing through the shaft immediately in front and behind his body. When rushed to hospital, he was still conscious.—China Mail Special.

## SULTAN THANKS BRITAIN FOR ENDING REVOLT

Bahrein, Aug. 14.

The Sultan of Muscat and Oman in a proclamation issued today thanked "His old friend the British Government for its aid to His Majesty's forces in ending the rebellion" of Oman.

The Sultan's message issued by the Sultanate's Foreign Ministry, said, "Now that order has been re-established and peace resumed in the kingdom, we shall resume our efforts to improve the living conditions of the population."

After stating that his Interior Minister Sayed Ahmed Ibrahim was now in Nizwa, former rebel capital that was captured by the Sultan's forces last Monday, the Sultan said: "We warmly welcome given to the representatives of the Government by the inhabitants of the region shows that the dissident did not have the support of the population."

### FORT DESTROYED

Two tons of explosives today blew to pieces the favourite fort at Tanuf of Sheikh Sulaiman bin Hilmyar, Lord of the Green Mountain and political exile behind the rising. The hand which fired the charge was that of Said bin Taimur, brother of the Sultan, who arrived at Nizwa yesterday and told the watching villagers that Tanuf Fort was being destroyed on the orders of the Sultan.

British sappers laid the explosives in such a way that although the three-powered triangular fort was split wide open, nearby villages were untouched.

Destruction of the fort was understood to have been ordered by the Sultan as the final symbol of success against those who took up arms against him.—France-Press & China Mail Special.

## NAVY CUTS

Washington, Aug. 14.

The United States Navy Department announced today that 18,000 of its civilian employees would be dismissed as an economic measure. The Department employs 898,717 civilians.

The cut is one of several measures intended to bring the Department's expenditure within the \$10,400,000,000 budget allocation for 1957-58.—France-Press.

## SINGAPORE BACKWARD COMPARED TO HK

Singapore, Aug. 15.  
Singapore millionaire Mr Tan Lark Sye last night blamed local ministers and politicians for the Colony's "backwardness" in industrialisation when compared to Hongkong.

He was speaking at a dinner given by the 52 representatives of Singapore commercial and industrial organisations to members of the visiting Hongkong trade delegation.

Mr Tan said Singapore had the same opportunity and spirit of enterprise as Hongkong which already had over 5,000 factories.

"If the condition of the Government and encouragement of enterprise were the same as it had been in Hongkong, we might today have over 10,000 factories operating in Singapore and Malaya," Mr Tan said.—Reuter.

## TYPHOON LOCATED IN PACIFIC

The Royal Observatory said that at 9 o'clock this morning Typhoon Agnes was located about 1,000 miles from Hongkong at 16.8 N 134.6 E (about 450 miles NNW of Yant) moving NW at 10 knots. Winds of maximum speed of 80 knots were recorded near the centre and about 50 knots within 50 miles away from it.

The Observatory also stated that the trough of low pressure across the China Sea from Manila to the Far East continued to intensify and there were indications that a tropical depression was forming in the eastern half of the trough.

Manila was lashed by strong rains early this morning as a depression hit Western Luzon with 30-mile per hour centre winds, says France-Press.





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# MORE TROOPS FOR MALAYA?

## Increase From Australia

Melbourne, Aug. 15.—BRITAIN'S Defence Minister, Mr Duncan Sandys, will probably seek an increase in the Australian ground forces in Malaya in talks beginning in Canberra on August 19, the Melbourne morning newspaper, The Age, said today.

It said it believed Mr Sandys would seek a second Australian Battalion for Malaya as well as an increase in Australia's naval commitments in the area.

### Also Asked

The New Zealand Government would also be asked for increased support in the Malayan area, the newspaper said.

The Age said it expected that the requests would follow from the adoption of the new British defence policy which placed its main emphasis on nuclear deterrents.

It said Britain was seeking to reduce her overseas garrisons as far as possible and hoped to persuade Australia and New Zealand to help ease these commitments.

### HK Garrison

It said Britain would promise to maintain a strong garrison at Hongkong and a small naval force based on Singapore.

It added that the request could easily embarrass the Australian Government which is already maintaining one battalion of the Royal Australian Regiment in Malaya with supporting artillery and other units.

In addition, there is a heavy Royal Australian Air Force bomber squadron and a small naval force of two destroyers operating in the area, The Age added.—Reuter.

## DELAY OF OMAN APPEAL

New York, Aug. 14.

The Arab states today delayed their planned appeal for a Security Council debate on Oman because Iraq, their representative in the council, was unable to sign the formal request, informed sources said.

These sources said all the other ten members had agreed to ask for an "urgent" council meeting, but the Iraqi delegation still waited instructions from Baghdad.

If the council were summoned, presentation of the Arab case against Britain would fall to Iraq since the other Arab states, as interested parties, could be invited to the table only after adoption of the agenda.

### HOLDING UP

Arab officials forecast that their note to the Council President, Colombia's Dr. Francisco Utrilla, would be submitted by 2 p.m. but hours later it still had not been handed in.

Then, qualified informants disclosed that Iraq's failure to sign was holding up the document.

United Nations sources said if it was not submitted today, there was little likelihood that the Council would be summoned this week.

They said next Monday or Tuesday were the most probable dates for the meeting.—China Mail Special.

## NEW BRIDGE FOR ST. JAMES'S PARK



The new bridge which is being built in London's most famous park, St. James's, is now making good progress and will soon be open to the public.—Army News Picture.

## RHEE ACCUSES JAPAN



SYNGMAN RHEE

Seoul, Aug. 15.

President Syngman Rhee today bitterly accused Japan of having "aggressive designs on Korea, with the aim of re-occupying our land."

Rhee made his charge in an address prepared for delivery at ceremonies in the Seoul Stadium, marking the ninth anniversary of the Republic of Korea.

"Japan has now undertaken a huge re-armament programme with the intention of dominating all of the weaker nations in the Orient."

### MORE SOLID

President Rhee repeated that his government was "standing on a more solid foundation" on its ninth anniversary.

He recalled the three-year war "to preserve our freedom and independence," and said that when the Chinese Communists entered the fight, "we were obliged to withdraw because our allied nations feared a global war."

Three applauded the decision of the allies "to bring in modern, up-to-date weapons and equipment to defend this country from the impending hazards," and praised the move of the United Nations command from Japan to Korea.

The President said that "since the aim of the Soviet is to conquer the world through unjust schemes, it is destined to collapse sooner or later, because however strong they may seem, no independent, freedom-loving nation will give in to the Communists or retreat."—France-Press.

## Scouts Desert

Bahrain, Aug. 14.

The Foreign Office press officer here today confirmed that 12 British scouts, brought in under British officers to help quell the rebellion led by the Imam of Oman, had deserted from their camp in the Sharjah region.—France-Press.

## RUSSIANS WANT TOP POSTS IN ATOMIC AGENCY

New York, Aug. 14.

The Soviet Union had demanded three top posts in the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) as the price for appointment of a United States citizen as Director-General, informed sources said today.

These sources said the State Department in Washington had yet to decide whether the price was too high. Western members generally were understood to favour having an American head of the agency.

Meanwhile, another authoritative informant disclosed that the agency would have a budget of \$6,000,000 and a staff of 300 if recommendations of its 18-member preparatory commission were adopted.

### LONG SERIES

The Commission's report, prepared after a long series of meetings at United Nations Headquarters here, is due for public release next Sunday.

Copies were, however, in the hands of delegations and correspondents today.

The agency will open its first general conference in Vienna on October 1, and Dr. Paul Jolles, Executive Secretary of the Commission, has already gone there with a small secretariat staff to make arrangements for the month-long session.

More than 80 nations will be represented at the conference, which will complete elections of the governing board and set the agency fully in motion. Vienna will be the permanent headquarters.—Reuter.

## REFUSAL TO HALT LIBEL TRIAL

San Francisco, Aug. 14.

The State Supreme Court today refused without comment to halt the Los Angeles trial of Whisper and Confidential magazines and two of the defendants, Fred and Marjorie Meade.

The Meades, operators of Hollywood Research Inc., which checks stories for Confidential, had sought a writ of prohibition halting the Los Angeles trial on the grounds that a Los Angeles Grand Jury had indicted them "without reasonable cause."

Mrs Meade is the niece of Robert Harrison, publisher of Confidential.

The other petition was filed by Publishers Distributing Corporation of New York and sought to halt the trial on the grounds that the Los Angeles Court was without jurisdiction.

The petition stated that there had been no service of summons on either magazine in New York City.—United Press.

## Remains Of Air Crash Victims Buried

Issoudun, Quebec, Aug. 14.

Birds circled overhead in a leaden sky as six wooden boxes containing the unidentified remains of the 79 victims of Canada's worst air disaster tonight were given a temporary resting place.

The remains were interred in a plot 30 feet square on the edge of a marshy wood about a mile from the spot where they died in the flaming wreckage of a Maritime Central Airways DC-4 airliner, returning to Toronto from a holiday trip to England.

The burial was for sanitary reasons. A formal ceremony conducted by Roman Catholic Archbishop, Maurice Roy of Quebec, and Anglican Bishop, Philip Cunningham, will be held later.

### LAND PURCHASED

Land for the grave was bought last night from Albert Marlet, the farmer on whose land the crash occurred last Sunday.

Meanwhile, the largest hunk of wreckage, so far recovered at the crash site was unearthed today after heavy digging equipment was brought in to aid investigators. Pumps resumed their efforts to drain water from the main crater this morning after the operation was called off last night.

The diggers went down more than 90 feet into the main pit before locating part of the fuselage, which contained many of the bodies—all of them unrecognizable.—United Press.

## CHAIN OF INJURIES IN FILM

Siena, Italy, Aug. 14.

One actor died today, and two others were injured during the filming of the "Girl from Pailio", which includes a scene of the great annual race through the streets of the city.

Pietro De Angelis, one of the best known of the riders in the traditional race, suffered a stroke and fell dead off his horse just as he galloped up towards the camera.

The rider called in to replace him fell from his horse under almost the same conditions, and was sent to hospital.

Last, Miss Rosanna Bonelli, who doubled for Diana Dors in some scenes, was kicked by a horse and rushed to hospital.—France-Press.

## QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA

FINAL PERFORMANCES TO-DAY



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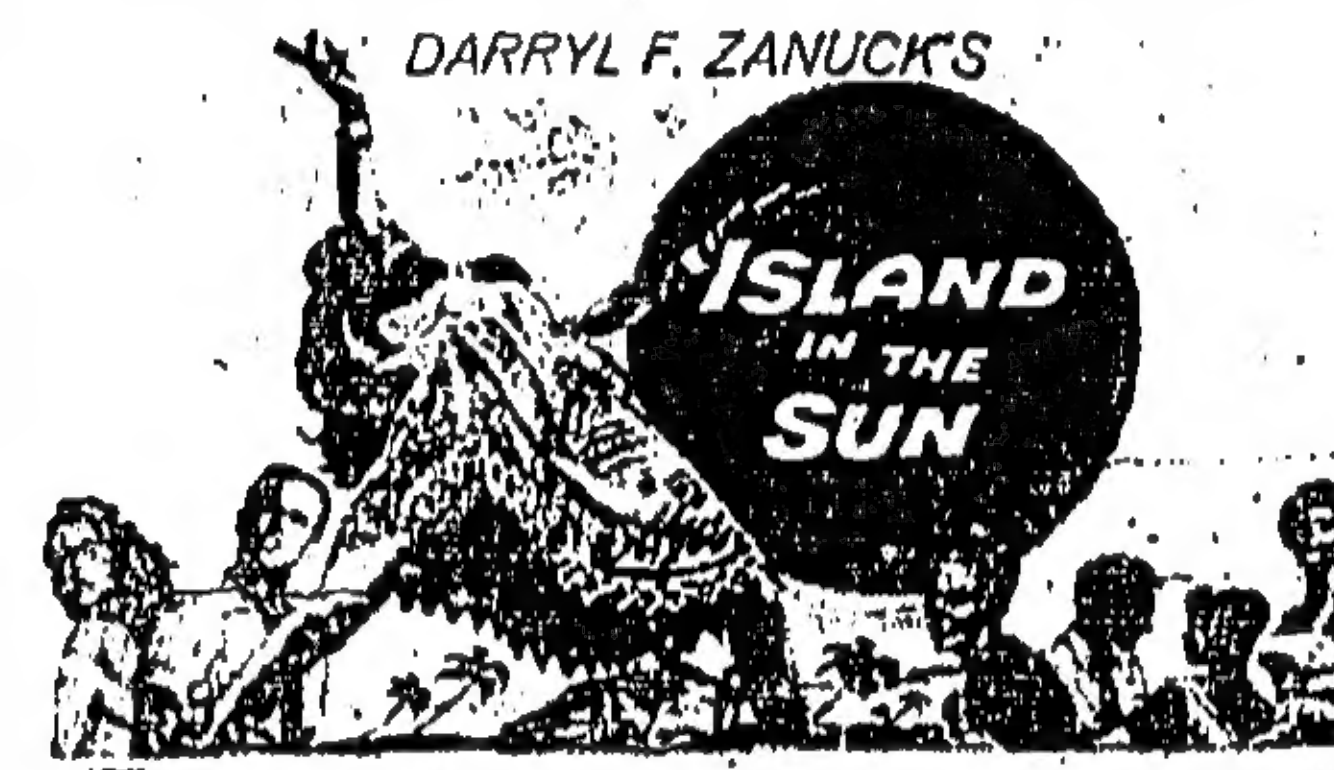
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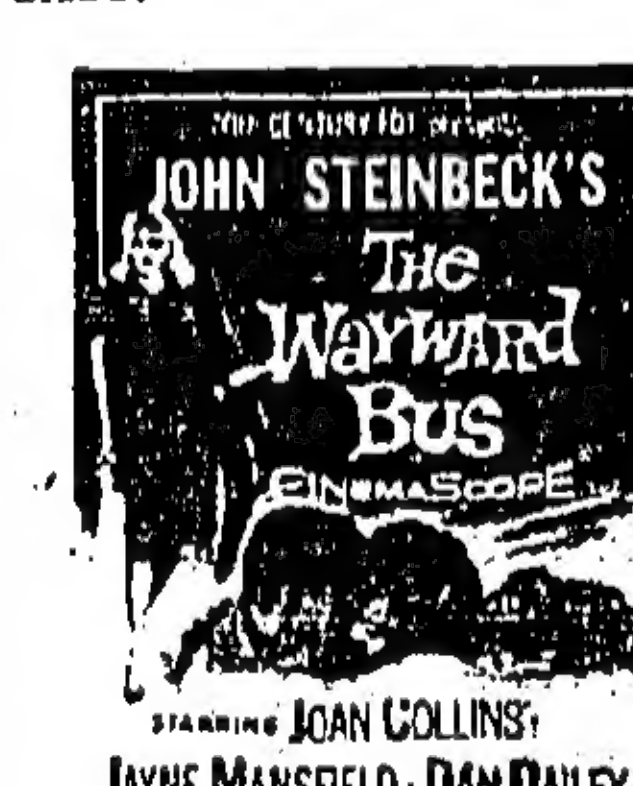


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# JAGAN EXPECTED TO FORM GOV'T

## MASSIVE DRIVE AGAINST REBELS

Algiers, Aug. 14. French forces have killed about 1,000 Algerians in widespread operations over the past 10 days designed to nip in the bud any insurgent offensive before the autumn session of the United Nations General Assembly.

Details of the massive French drive are released by the High Command in Algiers, say French warplanes have flown more than 2,000 sorties in support of ground troops. Warships have joined in, bombarding insurgent strongholds along the coast and controlling shipping to prevent arms-running by sea.

### LATEST SUCCESSES

The latest successes in the French military drive, according to usually reliable sources, brings the total of insurgent dead in the 33-month-old uprising to around 30,000. French losses are put at about 4,000 killed.

France has 400,000 troops fighting in Algeria. They are pitted against a "hard core" of about 20,000 insurgent regulars, uniformed and often equipped with the latest automatic weapons. French military sources say the insurgents raise auxiliary groups of volunteers or "conscript" for some operations, but there is recent evidence of insurgent reorganisation in battalions.—Reuter.

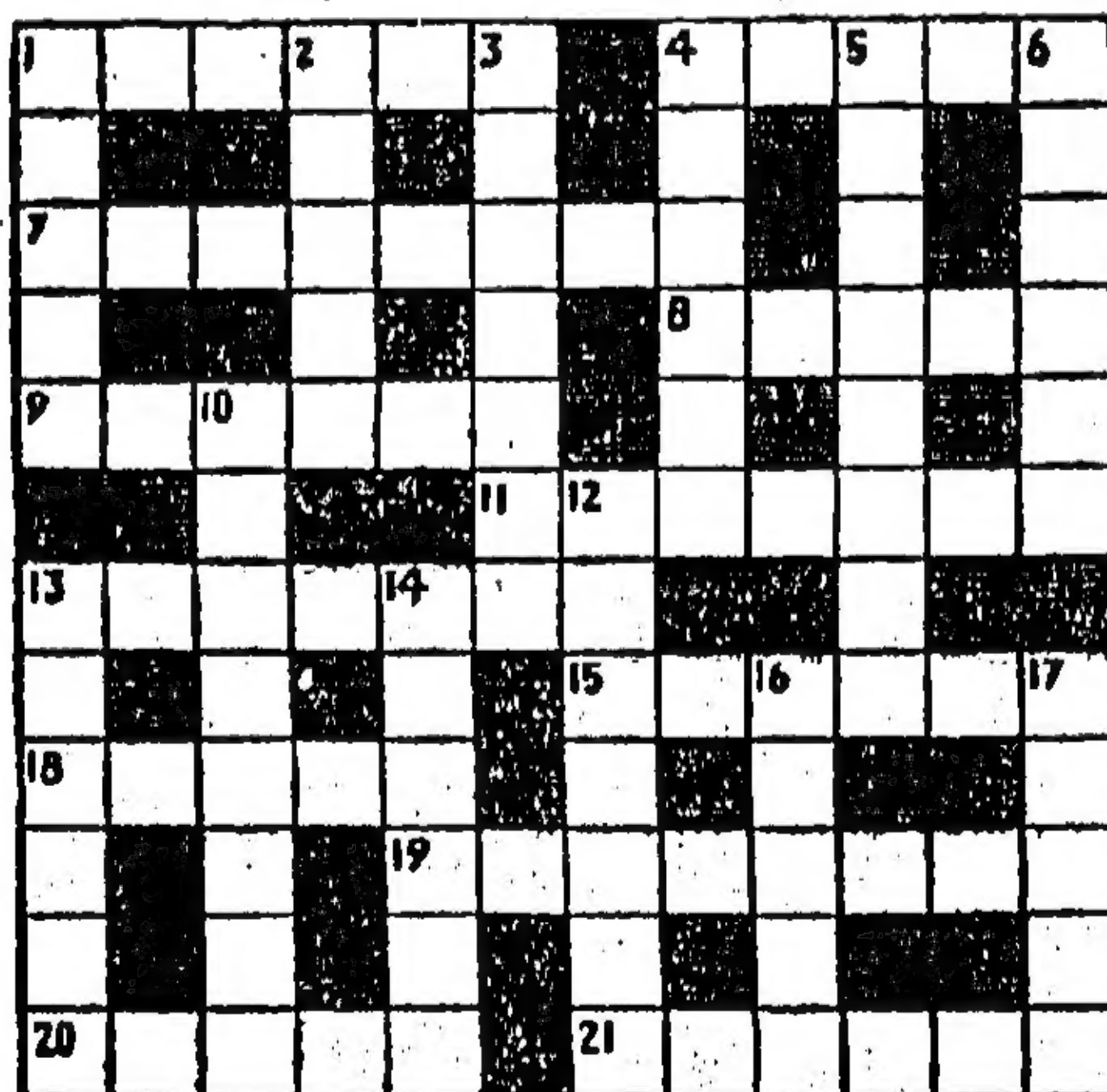
## EMBARGO ON OVERTIME

Hastings, Aug. 14. Leaders of 3,000,000 British engineering workers threatened today a national ban on overtime to enforce their claim for a 40-hour week.

Delegates instructed the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions at their annual conference here to launch immediately a national campaign for shorter hours.

Their resolution authorised the Confederation Executive, representing four different unions, "to recommend such action as they may consider necessary including an embargo on overtime."—Reuter.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Make like Venus de Milo? (6).
  - Is very angry with the smoke (5).
  - Displayed by Princess Grace? (8).
  - He's not at home (6).
  - Mum's the word (6).
  - Preduce rabbits from hole? (7).
  - Put an end to (6).
  - Past teenage (5).
  - Junior baseball? (8).
  - Subject for a tune? (6).
  - Messengers run it (6).
- DOWN**
- Put on a frock? (5).
  - Fish in a corner? (5).
  - Church at York? (7).
  - Ice up—deep? (6).
  - Most unapologetic (8).
  - How to lay on a banquet (6).
  - Tongue (6).
  - Rule of the dance? (7).
  - Swiss collapse? (6).
  - Quite inaccurate (6).
  - Mathematical snake (5).
  - Treated (6).

**WEDNESDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1 Bell, 4 Parents, 5 Room, 6 Rose, 10 Rubbish, 11 Boss, 12 Peel, 14 Dead-eye (Dick), 17 Astor, 19 Scene, 22 Romance, 26 Arid, 27 Aron, 28 Cusard, 29 Dope, 30 Cell, 31 Rescued, 32 East, Down: 2 Erodes, 3 Treble, 4 Parod, 5 Amused, 6 Ebbbed, 7 Derry, 12 Fair, 13 Atom, 15 Ewer, 16 Eked, 18 Scores, 20 Candle (power), 21 News, 23 Ovoid, 24 Affix, 25 Exuded.

## Both Opposition Leaders Lose In Elections

Georgetown, Aug. 14. Dr Cheddi Jagan, leader of the left-wing People's Progressive Party which has so far won eight out of 14 seats in this colony's general election, was today expected to claim the right to form a government.

Governor Sir Patrick Muir Renison is likely to agree to this claim by Dr Jagan, who was deposed by the British Government as Chief Minister four years ago on allegations that he was trying to set up a Communist state.

The election on Monday was the first to be held since the constitution was suspended in 1953 when the PPP leader was deposed.

Indications here today point to a landslide victory for Dr Jagan, who himself won his own constituency with ease.

In addition to winning eight seats, PPP candidates are well ahead in two other constituencies.

### Defeated

The two men who were thought likely to lead the next government have been defeated. They are Mr Lionel Luther, leader of the National Liberation Labour Front, and Mr John Carter, head of the United Democratic Party.

The Colony's new Legislative Council is expected to be constituted in four weeks' time.

Under the constitution, the Governor can nominate 11 council members in addition to three ex-officio members, bringing the council's strength to 23 and counter-balancing the PPP's influence.—Reuter.

## A MOVIE QUEEN, NOT A MONARCH

London, Aug. 15.

The British weekly newspaper declared today that Queen Elizabeth was "sold" to the people not as a monarch but as a movie queen, as one-up-on-the-Americans.

The newspaper, which has a Christian Non-Confessionist readership in Britain, the Dominions and the United States, said the Queen was also being "sold" as a "spectacle" and an excuse for "national dressing up and other irrelevant gimmicks."

"What we are seeing we may reap when spectacle, movie-queen status and horse-racing become an offence to the have-nots of future bad times," the British weekly said.—Reuter.

## HISS HAS A JOB

New York, Aug. 14. Alger Hiss, former State Department official who served time for perjury, is now employed by a comb manufacturer here, it was disclosed today.

Hiss served three years and eight months of a five-year term in the Lewisburg Penitentiary, Pennsylvania, for perjury in denying that he passed secret documents to a Communist spy ring.—United Press.

## SEAMAN NEARLY KILLED

Beersheba, Aug. 14.

Israeli seaman Raphael Elion, who was released by the Egyptian authorities earlier today after five weeks in captivity, said he was attacked and nearly killed by an Arab mob in Gaza a few hours before his release.

Elion was arrested by the Egyptian authorities last month while sailing through the Suez Canal aboard the Danish ship "Birgitte Tofte", which was bound from Burma to Haifa.

### TREATMENT

The Israeli sailor told newsmen he was beaten and kept without food for the first three days of his captivity, but was later given better treatment.

He said he asked an Egyptian officer who befriended him to get him an interview with Egyptian President, Gamel Abdel Nasser, but this was not granted. He added that he made a recording for the Egyptian broadcasting service. Elion's mother was the only civilian at the Gaza strip border when he was handed over to Israeli police officers. Her main concern was to see that her son should be allowed to wash before meeting the newsmen.—France-Press.

## MARRIED 4 TIMES TO ONE ANOTHER

Rome, Aug. 14.

Leonardo Ciampetti and Maruska Salattina were married four times—and always to one another. Today they learned that they must be married once more to make their union legal.

Marriage number one took place in the Rhineland immediately after the war, where Leonardo, a young dentist, who had been deported to Germany as a farm worker, met Maruska.

They were married before the American authorities. A few days later, just to make sure, they took their vows before the Burgomaster at the city of Weizlar.

### REFUSED

But when they tried to return to Italy, the French authorities at the Brenner Pass area refused to accept the earlier marriages. They were married again, before the French authorities.

Marriage number four took place in Leonardo's native city, Lecco, where they had a church wedding, their last marriage, they hoped.

But today they were told that the city of Lecco requires a marriage under Italian civil law.—France-Press.

## TRAIN HITS SHUNTING ENGINE



Seven people—four of them passengers—were injured—and many had very narrow escapes last Friday when a Windsor-Waterloo electric train crashed into a shunting engine just outside Staines Station. The steam engine toppled over and the front of the first carriage of the electric train was severely damaged. Photo shows firemen and officials scramble over the wreckage after the crash.—Keystone Photo.

## RADFORD RETIRES



Washington, Aug. 14. Admiral Arthur Radford said today that there was decidedly less chance of the United States getting into any war than there was four years ago.

In a farewell meeting with reporters after four years as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, he said: "As long as the Russians respect our capabilities they won't start a war. And I am sure that the Russians do respect our power."

Admiral Radford will retire tomorrow. He will be succeeded by General Nathan Twining, the United States Air Force Chief of Staff.

### THE POSSIBILITY

The Admiral would not rule out the continuing possibility of limited hostilities. "Until there is a change in people there will be differences of opinion that will break out in fighting. It is happening almost all the time some place in the world," he said.

The Admiral said he did not know whether the Soviet Union or the United States were ahead in the missile race, but added:

"We are not wasting our time, we have very able people working on them and I am satisfied that our missile programme is a very good one."—Reuter.

## Mr K's Visit To East Germany

## Crude Attempt To Influence West's Elections

Washington, Aug. 14. The State Department spokesman today described the visit of Mr Nikita Khrushchev to East Germany as an attempt to bolster up a Communist regime which enjoyed no popular support and a crude attempt to influence the West German election campaign.

## 20 MILES UP IN A GONDOLA

Minneapolis, Aug. 14.

One of the most daring lighter-than-air flights ever made will be launched this month from a northern Minnesota site when an Air Force doctor will attempt to ascend nearly 20 miles in a gondola suspended from a huge balloon.

Major David G. Simons, chief of the space biology branch of the Air Medical Laboratory at Holloman air development centre Alamogordo, New Mexico, will make the flight.

### TEST REACTIONS

He expects to ascend to a maximum altitude of 102,000 feet—more than 19 miles—and remain in the small aluminium gondola for 24 hours to test physical and psychological reactions in cramped quarters at high altitude.

Major Simons, 34, will, if the flight is successful, break all previous altitude records by means of balloon and set a new endurance record.

The exact time and place of the start of the flight were not announced, but the Air Force said the balloon would travel from northern Minnesota to the Miles City, Montana, area before descending.

Capt. Joseph W. Kittinger rose to 95,000 feet for a few hours on June 2 to test equipment. That flight broke all earlier balloon altitude records.—China Mail Special.

Mexico City, Aug. 14. The flu epidemic which hit Mexico about two months ago is steadily declining and should disappear by next week, public health officials said today.—United Press.

Mr Khrushchev, who was accompanied by Mr Anastas Mikoyan, a Soviet Deputy Premier, concluded the visit yesterday with a speech attacking Dr Konrad Adenauer, the West German Chancellor.

### BOLSTER UP

The Department spokesman, Mr Lincoln White, declined to comment on Mr Khrushchev's charges that Dr Adenauer was preparing the German people for a new war. But in a formal statement he said: "Mr Khrushchev's visit to East Germany represents an obvious attempt to bolster up a regime which enjoys no popular support."

He described the communiqué in which Mr Khrushchev pledged the Soviet Union's complete political and economic support for East Germany, as a very long and dull propaganda document which contains nothing new.

He said the communiqué and Mr Khrushchev's speeches in East Germany indicated that the Soviet Union was continuing a negative and obstructive approach to the problem of German reunification.

### DISTASTEFUL

"Certainly, some of the speeches made during the visit were obviously crude attempts to influence the elections in the Federal Republic and they seem to have been equally distasteful to all the participants in the election campaign," Mr White added.

Asked to comment on recent speeches by Soviet leaders on the theme that the United States was in range of Russian rockets, Mr White replied that they were echoes of a series of threatening notes sent to various NATO countries.

"I don't think that any of the NATO countries or the United States has picked up or responded as a result," Mr White observed.—Reuter.

## Rahman Defends Invitation To Driver 'Bunny'

Kuala Lumpur, Aug. 14.

Chief Minister Tengku Abdul Rahman today defended the invitation sent to a British woman chauffeur to attend Malaya's Independence celebrations.

The Chief Minister said Miss Nancy T. Simmons was invited as a "representative of the working class."

He was answering a question tabled by Councillor Tuan Haji Ahmad Bin Haji Hussain who asked the Government to explain why would pay the expenses of Colonial Office chauffeur Miss "Bunny" Simmons for her visit to Malaya to attend the Independence celebrations.

Miss Simmons was one of the corps of British Colonial Office chauffeurs who drove Malaya's Chief Minister and his colleagues when they were in London to negotiate for Malaya's independence.

In one of his lighter moods the Chief Minister asked "Bunny" if she had ever visited Malaya. The girl replied negatively and Tengku Abdul Rahman asked: "Would you like to come to Malaya?"

## SHOCKING MURDER IN INSTITUTE

Marseilles, Aug. 14.

Bloody handprints on the wall and brain matter smeared in grey streaks across the floor of a room in the Marseilles Institute for the Blind, today told the silent story of the killing of a 50-year-old blind man by his wife and her lover, both of them also blind.

The two lovers, Mrs Anne Barblin, 45, and 21-year-old Maximilien Levesque, were today held in gaol, charged with the murder of Albert Barblin.

### SIGHTLESS STRUGGLE

They were reported to have given conflicting accounts of the sightless struggle in the apartment of Mr and Mrs Barblin.

The wife said she and her lover had decided to teach her husband a lesson for his brutality towards her. She said Levesque had waited for her husband to come home, hit him with his fist, pounded him with a hammer and ended the struggle with a revolver shot at point blank range through the heart.

Levesque was reported by the police to have said that he interrupted a violent quarrel between husband and wife and had fired at random, afterwards finishing off his victim with a knife.—France-Press.

Few days ago Councillor Tuan Haji Ahmad submitted a question asking the Government to explain why was paying Miss Simmons's expenses and the reasons for extending her invitation.

Today Tengku Abdul Rahman said Miss Simmons was invited as "a representative of the working class." He said many persons were invited to the celebrations but there was a "conspicuous absence of that section of British society which had been strongly in sympathy with Malaya's aspirations for freedom."

The invitation to Miss Simmons, Rahman said, shows that in this "hot-war" triumph they are not forgotten.

Apart from this fact the Chief Minister added that Miss Simmons was invited "in appreciation of the services she had given to two Malayan missions to London."—United Press.

## PRINCESS ANNE IS SEVEN



Baller, Aug. 15. Princess Anne, Queen Elizabeth's daughter, celebrates her seventh birthday at Balmoral Castle today.

In the last year, Anne has grown so quickly that she is now as tall as her brother, Charles, who will be nine in November.

### NEAT HAND

She reads quite well and writes a neat hand. Two of her favourite subjects are history and poetry and she prefers travel and adventure tales rather than fairy stories.

Out of the schoolroom "extras" include gym and dancing once a week, riding her pony at Windsor Castle, at weekends, piano lessons twice a week, and drawing and painting once a week. She has also just started to learn French.

Like most youngsters, she is a keen television fan. In the vast palace gardens, she sits around on her bicycle with her girl friends. But the Queen does not restrict her daughter's life to the palace grounds. Quite often, unrecognised by the public, Anne goes on shopping expeditions with her girlfriends. She arrives unexpectedly at the London Zoo, her favourite haunt.—Reuter.



# Baldness? It's only the men who care...

says ANNE SHARPLEY

IF all the bald heads in London were laid side by side I for one wouldn't turn a hair. This panic about baldness is a purely male invention (not a associated with the fact, I admit, that men are the only ones to go bald). Like most women I never occurs to me to notice specifically whether a man is bald or not.

But male vanity is both more tenacious and insidious than the female form. It hides behind a lot of scientific (most of whom are bald or balding anyway), and prompts them to hold something called a "Symposium" at the highly respected Royal Society of Medicine.

Two hundred and seventy of these mostly bald or balding doctors and scientists have flown in from all parts of the world. Under the chairmanship of a completely bald American professor they hold a three-day discussion on hair.

They talk a lot about things like "The Electron Microscopy of the Melanocyte."

## The real nothing

Then they get down to the real thing. Or what most women would term the real nothing. Baldness.

Organising the whole thing is a lady, lively Australian called Dr. Geoffrey Bourne, Reader in Histology, University of London, at the London Hospital Medical College since 1947.

Dr. Bourne has managed to hang on to his own thin black hair with his finger-tips. Five minutes' brisk, brain-bruising massage every morning after shaving.

He has also tried what he regards as the world's nearest hope to an answer for baldness at present, Nicotinic acid.

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Dr. Bourne massaged it into his scalp each morning. His head went bright red for an hour or so and after three weeks the doctor's deserted temples had filled in with a mild black fuzz and vanity was temporarily allayed.

"It's getting thin again now though. I'll have to start treatment again," he laughs. All in aid of scientific advancement, of course.

## When to start

When should one start fronding baldness, off?

"Ah, that's the whole secret of it," says the doctor, triumphant in keeping his own hair. "It is easier to lose thin hair from going than to replace hair that's gone."

Prince Philip, for instance, he considers has already left it too late.

How can a young man estimate his chance of going bald in order to take fronding-off action?

"If his grandfather on his maternal side was bald, the chances are 50-50. If his father was bald the chances are practically 100 per cent that he will be bald too."

Dr. Bourne's own father was thin-haired, but not actually bald. His wife's father kept his hair. So Dr. Bourne's own two sons have a fairly good chance of keeping theirs.

But hair, like everything else it seems, begins with those small clear crystals in the blood stream known as hormones.

"Some people advocate the use of female sex hormones—to antagonize the male sex hormones." (What else was to be expected?)

## Success

"A certain amount of success has been experienced in understanding in these experiments, although it is a tricky field in which to experiment."

The only known total cure for baldness is a drastic operation that most men would probably feel hardly worth the sacrifice.

"The bald man, in fact, is believed to be the man with an excess of male hormones. Baldness might almost be described as a masculine virtue."

One of the doctor's students who was bald, thanked him personally for publishing the fact. His social life had improved tremendously, he said.

The doctor's wife, who is a psychologist, is all for bald men. "I think it is the other extreme to femininity. What could be a more obvious sign that a man is completely masculine than that his head is bald?"

## Money matters

In fact the "symposium" can pack up their microscopes right away.

All they have to do is to publicise the fact that only the really masculine men lose their hair. And they can start research on a substance to get rid of hair on the head right away.

But either way women probably won't take much notice. They'll still keep on picking their men for unbecomingly reasons like bank accounts.

(London Express Service).



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ALWAYS it seems to happen worst to Coventry—the saturation bombing; the paralysing strikes; and now the polio epidemic—and the rest of Britain becomes both sympathetic and anxious. . . . Could it happen to us too? The answer lies deep in the cathedral city which has changed its character faster than any other. . . .

# THE UNLUCKY CITY

by TOM POCOCK

Coventry. It is prettier than a picture. The stream winds through Warwickshire meadows heavy with grass and the pink, white, and yellow of flowers.

In the shallows, beneath a willow's arch, children splash. Then, in the sunlit silence, their mother calls: "Come out of that muck or you'll catch the polio!"

This is a summer scene in the England of 1957. This is the scene in a peaceful meadow overlooking a city smitten with the twentieth-century plague of poliomyelitis, infantile paralysis, or, as the dictionary puts it, "inflammation of the grey matter of the spinal cord."

## Filthy

MORE than 80 Coventry citizens have been struck down with polio this year, a dozen of them this month.

The cause of the epidemic may not yet be known officially, but among the citizens of Coventry there seems little doubt. It is, so many of them say, the fault of dirty water.

So I came out of the eastern suburbs, beyond Walsgrave, Wyken, and Stoke, where polio is most prevalent, to look at this stream.

It is called the River Sowe and in no other country would it merit a name, let alone the distinction of "river." The Sowe here is a furrow of filthy water, mud, broken bottles, bicycle wheels, and bushed-in kettles. It is—the playground of thousands of Coventry children who live in the new housing estates that stand above its banks.

The city is surrounded by such fouled watercourses and ponds.

Some will blame open dustbins or lack of personal cleanliness for the polio outbreak. But, whatever the cause, it adds yet again to the troubles that beset the ancient, historic cathedral city of Coventry.

Stand on the gentle hillside above the stinking Sowe. Look across the fields and hedgerows to Coventry and only the people of the bombed cathedral will remind you that this place is in the English Midlands. Perhaps it is the skyline. The skyscraper flats in the suburbs.

Ridge beyond ridge of new houses advance like breakers on the city. Factory chimneys catch the morning sun like minarets, and the great factories, warehouses, and gasholders rise like castles in the industrial haze.

## Prosperity

IN the past 20 years—in the past 10 years—Coventry has changed more than any other British city. An official in the Council House sighs: "Twenty years ago, I could walk through the middle of the city and meet a dozen people I knew. Now, I am surprised if I meet one."

In 1911, the population was 106,000. In 1941, it was 192,000. Now it is more than 270,000.

From South Wales, from Liverpool and the North, from Scotland and from Ireland, the immigrants have come, drawn by the prosperity promised by the forced growth of this cathedral city.

The heat that has forced this growth has been provided both by the furnaces of industry and German bombs.

Before 1930, Coventry was already a great industrial city producing striking weapons of the R.A.F., the Royal Navy and the Army. And so German bombers tore out the entrails of the city and killed 1,200 of its people.

This massacre produced a grim new verb: "to Coventry."

But as Coventry recovered from its wounds so more troubles came on it. Industrial life. The slump in the car industry last year. The great fire at the Jaguar works. And now polio. These are the troubles of a boom town, not a cathedral city.

Walk through the centre of Coventry and there is little there to remind you of the historic past, much to remind you of the revolution that is happening here.

True, you can still walk for a hundred yards or so round the gaunt, red arches of the old cathedral beneath shady trees between medieval and Georgian walls.

But this is like finding a lovely but dusty old painting in a broken frame hanging on the wall of a coffee bar. All around this enclava of the past, the new Coventry is arising for its new citizens.

It does not look like England. Hugo angular blocks of glass, steel, concrete, and brick. Sheets of plate-glass. Vast piazzas, concourses, and explanades.

"All it wants is the Skyline and the Dome of Discovery," a Broadgate shopkeeper says, but his sarcasm is tinged with pride. While other cities have begun to rebuild timidly, Coventry has had the courage to create something startlingly, durably new.

But it does not look like England. The old clergy-

man, in his black homburg and sagging, grey cardigan, and the red-checked farmer in his tweeds look freakish among the marble and the leopard skin and the shaded lights of the Leofric Hotel.

In Coventry's smartest bar, of Mayfair luxury, you will meet factory foremen and skilled aircraft fitters entertaining their wives.

Shops, designed with a contemporary elegance that shames London, fill their windows with the fashion, furniture, kitchen gadgets, and television sets that will appeal to their best customers—the factory workers and their families.

## Drama

A WARWICKSHIRE farmer who drives into Coventry once a week put it like this: "You can call this a new city. I've seen it double its population. The buildings are new. There's lots of money. Lots of foreigners too. Not just from Scotland, Wales, and Ireland, but Indians and West Indians. Still, I expect it's the same old over the country."

In a way it is. But Coventry's forced growth has heightened the drama. There has been more excitement, more money made.

There has also been more trouble. The polio epidemic may be the result of expansion overtaking prudence.

But, rough or smooth, the story of the rebirth of Coventry is touched with magic.

# CHINA'S ARMY

by Peter Sum

United Press Staff Correspondent

Hongkong. The Communist Chinese Army is the largest standing army in the world today.

Officially, it has about 2,500,000 officers and men on active duty. But this does not include the many thousands of regional security forces, the public security units in towns and large cities, and the rural militia units.

Chairman Mao Tse-tung has said he would not arm his forces with nuclear weapons. But aside from that, the Communist Chinese Army is a well-equipped and well-trained organ, one such as China has never before seen in its more than 5,000 years of history.

Above all, the "People's Liberation Army" is a battle-tested military machine that has grown rapidly at the cost of years of bloodshed.

Most of the weapons and equipment in use in the Red Army are from Russia or Eastern Europe. Although Communist China still depends

on Russia for supplies of heavier and more recent types of military equipment, almost all smaller and more conventional military equipment are made in Chinese factories.

Two recent additions to the list of domestically made military equipment are the MIG-type jet fighter and four-ton transport trucks.

The Chinese Reds had a military force before 1927. It consisted of scattered units which co-operated with Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist forces in a campaign against corrupt warlords.

When the Reds split with the Nationalists, however, Mao formed the "Workers' and Peasants' Red Army" of 30,000 troops on Aug. 1, 1927, and launched a war against the Kuomintang. This was the birth of the Chinese Red Army.

The Chinese Red Army distinguished itself between 1934-35 when it staged the famous "long march" withdrawing from bases in Chiang's Yenan over wild mountains, malaria-infested swamps and burning deserts.

This march took one year, and covered eight provinces.

The outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities on July 7, 1937, proved a boon to the Communists. While the Nationalists had their hands full with the Japanese, the Communists remained in their well-protected hideouts. So scores of scattered but well-led and well-armed Red guerrillas came forth to harry Japanese communication networks and create disturbances behind the Japanese lines.

These tactics won them many supporters from the masses. It was during this period when both the Nationalists and the Reds forgot their Civil War to fight the Japanese.

It was not secret at the time that the Japanese were more afraid of the "Pa-lu" and the "Hsin-Szu-Chun", the Communist units, than they were of the Nationalists.

When the Japanese surrendered in August, 1945, the Communist and Nationalist armies renewed their struggle for supremacy. That was the last of the peace that ended with the Nationalists being thrown out of mainland China.

While the Civil War was being waged in China, the Communists sent a handful of their best army cadres to Manchuria—presented to them almost intact by the withdrawing Soviet army—and formed the Red China's first "People's Liberation Army Air Force Unit." This was the beginning of the Red Air Force.

The men were trained by Col. Wu K'ai, who learned his flying in a Nationalist Air Academy in 1937.

The first class graduated in 1947. Today, it is estimated the Red Air Force has more than 3,000 front line military aircraft, mostly MIG-17 late model jets.

Very little is known about the Red Chinese Navy, although it is believed to possess a number of Soviet-made submarines. The giant Red Chinese military machine today grew on bloodshed. When the Red Army celebrated its 30th birthday, the question uppermost in the minds of Chinese outside Red China was, "Will the People's Liberation Army again bathe itself in blood?"

They have not forgotten the cost in human lives and suffering that went into the building of this military force.

# Chins up, you baldheads!

MORE than 200 doctors and scientists met in London for a three-day conference just about hair. How it grows, why it greys, why it falls out and what might be done to make it grow again.

Though the cry for a really effective hair-restorer is heartfelt and clamorous, baldness has never been tackled thoroughly before because it carries no hazard to health.

The purpose of this conference was to spark off a co-ordinated research programme in human hair in laboratories throughout the world.

It was organised by the British Society for Research on Aging.

Dr. J. B. Hamilton of New York State University disclosed his latest findings on receding hair-lines in men and women of all ages. He found that boys and girls have a similar pattern of hair-growth until about 10, the hair-border forming a straightish line across the forehead.

From then on the hair-line begins to recede at the temples in both sexes. It slowly curves back forming a wide into the hair but this soon stops in women while it continues in 30 per cent of men.

Dr. Hamilton's work suggests that there is a connection between this progressive loss of hair in men and virility. The

men who are LEAST virile have the best chance of keeping their hair.

Dr. Irwin Lubowe, another U.S. hair-researcher, claims he has already cured baldness of many years' duration with cortisone and similar hormones.

Of 42 patients given the treatment, complete regrowth of hair was seen in 19 while the rest had partial regrowth, he reports.

Dr. Lubowe does not claim that this treatment is the answer to baldness because these powerful

hormones can cause unpleasant after-effects if not carefully controlled. But he does claim that he has proved it is possible to stimulate a hair "root" which has been dormant for up to 25 years to produce hair again.

"This result," he says, "may change completely our present belief that it is impossible to restore hair growth to a really bald head."

A group led by Dr. M. L. Ryder of Leeds reported the effects of diet on hair growth—it is already known that a deficiency of a food ingredient called lysine can cause premature greyness.

Other scientists told of their findings after studying the fine structure of hair with the electron microscope and by chemical means, including radio-

activity.

None of them expects that this conference will provide an immediate method of covering the vast acreage of bald and thinning scalps. Their first task

is to answer certain basic questions such as—

WHY does a single hair on the head last for only 18 months before it drops out in some people while in others it lasts seven years?

WHY do the sons of bald men almost always go bald themselves? Because of the innumerable way heredity works millions of males are doomed to baldness unless the scientists can do something for them.

The current advice to choose well-thatched parents. The scientists hold out no immediate hope to men who want to keep their hair. But they are confident that, given time, they can produce something better than that defeatist slogan.

HERE IS NEWS to send bald men back to work today with a smile. At last, science is to tackle on a big scale the age-old problem—yes, BALDNESS.

By CHAPMAN (well thatched) PINCHER

WHY do men start growing hair on their caps when they leave it from their heads?

WHY is baldness rare in races which live a fully open-air life?

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Michael Wilding Kenneth Horne Said Mr. H: "It all began in Sidi Barrani."



# NO PLAY POSSIBLE IN FIVE OUT OF NINE FIRST CLASS MATCHES

## County Cricket Suffers Its Biggest Setback Of The Summer

London, Aug. 14.

Surrey, who need one more victory to clinch their sixth successive County Cricket Championship, were the only side to bowl a ball before lunch today when widespread rain washed out five matches and delayed the start in three others.

Previously this season the Champions had not been lucky with the weather — their last match against Middlesex was abandoned — but today they were able to start only half an hour late.

Somerset, for whom Harold Stephenson, their wicketkeeper, was taking his benefit, lost a wicket in the first over but later recovered on a pitch of comfortable pace. At the close they were 242 for seven with Stephenson 43 not out.

Peter Wright, their West Indian batsman, led the scoring with 65, including eight fours, and shared in a partnership of 89 with Dennis Silk (33).

No play was possible after lunch at Cheltenham, where John Morfmore, the Gloucestershire off-spinner, took seven Hampshire wickets for 37, and at Derby, where the home county fared badly against the attack.

Mortimore took the last seven wickets in the order for Hampshire to be all out for 125 and his final analysis read 17.2-6-37-7.

Derbyshire, a side particularly strong in seam bowlers, failed against an attack of the same sort against Kent and were all out for 98, Derek Halford taking four for 33 to pass his 100 wickets for the season.

At no other ground did a start seem likely and at Worcester,

where Northamptonshire were the visitors, seagulls swam on floodwater outside the pavilion.

**CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES**  
At Weston - Super - Mare, Somerset 242 for seven (Wright 65) versus Surrey.

At Derby, Derbyshire 98, Kent 13 for no wicket. Rain restricted play.

At Birmingham, Combined Services 175 for nine versus Warwickshire. Rain restricted play.

At Cheltenham, Hampshire 125 (Mortimore seven for 37), Gloucestershire 70 for 3.  
At Worcester, Worcestershire versus Northampton. No play today, rain.

At Lord's, Middlesex versus Leicestershire. No play today, rain.

At Worthing, Sussex versus Lancashire. No play today, rain.

### ENGLAND WINS

Burban, Aug. 14.  
England beat South Africa 8-3 in the fourth Badminton Test here tonight.

They also won the previous Tests in the five-match series. — Reuter.

## New York Yankees Beaten 6-4 By Boston Red Sox

New York, Aug. 14.

Ted Williams slugged a three-run homer and a single today to lift his batting average to .380 and spark the Boston Red Sox to a 6-4 victory over the World Champion New York Yankees.

Williams, hitting better than .500 for his last 33 games, increased his edge over New York's Mickey Mantle to eight points. Mantle went one-for-four today and his average dipped to .382.

Tom Brewer yielded 15 hits in 6-2/3 innings to gain credit for his 14th win of the season while Whitey Ford, socked for three runs in 1-1/3 innings, was charged with his fourth defeat. Hank Bauer homered for the Yankees, who hit into three double plays and left seven runners stranded on the base-paths.

The Chicago Cubs handed the St. Louis Cardinals their eighth straight defeat when Dick Drott beat them, 3-1, and the Brooklyn Dodgers downed the New York Giants, 7-6, in the only other games of the day.

Walt Moryn and Ernie Banks hit back-to-back homers in the sixth inning for the Cubs and Drott went on to his 11th win, striking out six and walking five. Vinegar Bordmirell suffered his ninth loss.

Ed Roebuck came back to halt a five-run Giant rally in the seventh innings and enable the Dodgers to break a three-game losing streak. Gil Hodges, Elmer Vale and Don Zimmer homered for the Dodgers. Willie Mays went hitless, ending his consecutive game hitting streak at 10 games.

### BEST TREATMENT

Cleveland, Aug. 14.  
Bob Lemon, veteran right-hander and a mainstay of the

weakened Cleveland Indians' mound staff, will pitch no more this season.

Dr. Don Kelly, team physician, and Dr. Charles Herndon, Lakeside Hospital orthopaedist, decided that the best possible treatment for the 37-year-old hurler's injured elbow was rest for the remainder of the season. But there will be no operation for the bone chips in the joint revealed by X-rays.

Lemon, troubled periodically by the sore elbow during the season, won only six games for the Indians this year while losing 11. Last season he had a 20-14 record to cap his seventh season as a 20-game winner.

### GAME SCORES

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

Brooklyn ..... 200-011-200-7-14-0  
New York ..... 010-000-200-6-0-1  
McDevitt, Labine (7), Roebuck (7) and Walker, Crane, Considine (7) and Thomas. WP—McDevitt (10-1), LP—Crane (8-7), MIS—Hodges (17-1), Vale (14-1), Zimmer (6-1), St. Louis ..... 000-000-001-1-6-0  
Chicago ..... 000-002-100-3-2-0  
Mitsch, Marmola (7) and Landrum, Drott (11-0) and Neuman, LP—Mitsch (14-1), MIS—Moryn (10th), Banks (12th).

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York ..... 000-010-201-1-5-2  
Boston ..... 140-001-000-6-4-1  
Ford, Laven (2) and Berra, Brewer, Farnicle (9) and White, WP—Brewer (14-0), LP—Ford (7-4), MIS—Mills (10th), Bauer (15th). —United Press.



WHEN SUGAR RAY SAW RED

## THE SIGHT OF BLOOD TURNED HIM INTO A COLD, CALCULATING KILLER

By HAROLD MAYES

*There isn't a doubt with me that the most exciting of all boxing's divisions is the middleweight class, where the good 'uns have the speed of welterweights, or even lightweights, and the punch of heavyweights.*

There have been some really great fighters among the 160-pounders, but whichever way you care to look at it, the record books prove, beyond contradiction, that Sugar Ray Robinson, the king of the comeback men, is the middleweight boxing supremo.

Four times he has won the 11st, 11th, 11th, the last time, this year, at the ripe old age of 37. Yet there are many who will contend, and they may not be far wrong, that he was already "over the hill" when he moved up from the welterweight ranks.

### LUCKY STARS

Perhaps there are some among his opponents who will be quite content to accept that, thanking their lucky stars that after what Robinson achieved they hadn't had to meet him when he was in his fighting prime.

Six years have gone since Randy Turpin, the Leamington warrior, thrilled Britain by out-pointing the Sugar Man at Earls Court, London, and then the little matchless from him just 64 days later in New York's Polo Grounds.

It was the 10th round of white-hot fury, when Robinson turned potter into pug into glory, that makes the second clash with Turpin stand out in the memory.

It was a round, and, indeed, a fight which stirred many a heated controversy, as must inevitably be the case when partnership runs high.

I had sat on the side of a bed in a London hotel in the small hours of the morning of July 11, 1951, while Doctor Vincent Nardello, New York's boxing medico, had done a sewing-machine job on the left eyebrow Robinson received in his losing clash with Turpin.

In was no ordinary cut, believe me. And it was no ordinary situation the second time, when in that tenth round, as fortune ebbed and flowed, the same spot was slashed apart again and blood coursed down the cheek of a man who realized in an instant that victory, on which he was set, was racing away from him.

Robinson had landed a right-hand flush on Turpin's jaw in the second round, one which had made the Briton's knees buckle, but he had grabbed his rival and shaken off the effects of it without going down.

### LEFT WON

Turpin, for all that his worst left hand had won him the

London fight without any question, had puzzled Robinson by using that job sparingly.

Robinson had followed a well-laid plan of changing his course of action every couple of rounds. Turpin landed three hard rights to the jaw, and a left hook to the body in the ninth. He jerked back Robinson's head with the jab he had seemingly been so loath to employ. And although they both showed signs of fatigue in that round, it was Robinson, whom at that stage I made a shade ahead, who looked the more tired.

Turpin shot out a left to the head at the start of the tenth. It missed its mark. Robinson tried a right and Turpin avoided it. They closed and as they emerged a crimson smear on Robinson's left cheek made it all too obvious that the eye damaged in the London bout had "gone" again.

He put up his glove, almost lazily, to brush away the blood which was running into his eye. The sight of the blood was, apparently, all that was needed to turn him from a man whose plan had been to coast the ninth and tenth rounds into a cold, calculating killer.

### GUARD DOWN

A long right which seemed to start in the far reaches of the bleacher seats exploded on Turpin's unprotected chin. The left hook to the body which had preceded it had made the Briton gasp and temporarily drop his guard.

When the count had reached nine, Turpin rose on unsteady

legs. The tiger leapt after his prey, almost defenceless. Turpin made for what shelter the ropes could offer.

His legs wide apart, his head bowed forward, he held up his hands and for fully half a minute Robinson poured in hammer-like two-handed attacks to the jaw.

Turpin's hands got lower and lower, and then, with only eight seconds of the round remaining, referee Ruby Goldstein spread his merciful arms and Robinson was Champion of the World again.

Eight seconds to go. That was the reason for the controversy which followed. If Turpin had been allowed to last it out, Robinson would never have finished the journey with the damaged eye—that was the way some people looked at it.

Did Goldstein act hastily because a young man named George Flores had been killed in a New York ring a few days earlier?

### IT WAS RIGHT

I hold the view that he stepped in at exactly the right moment, for even one more punch might have had disastrous results.

And one more champion, perhaps the greatest of them all, had turned possible defeat into glorious victory. For a memory, what more can one ask than that?

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## THE GAMBOLS

LAST MONTH



IT'S AWFUL - IT MAKES ME LOOK LIKE A REAL OLD MAN



ME KNOWING ME - I'M OLD



put Gas in your house



## SCHOOLGIRL SMASHES U.S. SWIM RECORD

Houston, Texas, Aug. 14.  
Sensational Chris von Saltza, a 13-year-old schoolgirl from Santa Clara, California, smashed the American and AAU 220-yard backstroke records in the National AAU swimming meet today.

Chris, representing the Santa Clara Swim Club, covered the distance in 2:41.9 to better the previous mark of 2:43.8 set last year by Chris Cone of Ridge-wood, New Jersey.

Miss Cone was second in today's preliminary event in the 100-yard women's swimming and diving meet, with a clocking of 2:44.5 to set up a showdown battle with Miss von Saltza in tonight's final events.

Paula Jean Myers of Los Angeles, who won the one-meter springboard diving title in last night's finale, ran up a total of 200.20 points today's three-meter diving preliminaries. Irene McDonald of Toronto, swimming for the Los Angeles Athletic Club, was second with a point score of 219.75.

### DIVING EVENT

Finals in the three-meter diving event, 220-yard backstroke, 440-yard individual medley and 440-yard freestyle are slated for tonight.  
If Paula Jean should win tonight's three-meter event and also Friday's platform diving finale, she would score a grand slam to become America's outstanding woman diver.

Pat McCormick, Champion in all three events — the one-meter, three-meter and platform diving — turned professional and did not defend her titles.

In today's 440-yard freestyle team relays, the Los Angeles Athletic Club barely edged out the Santa Clara swimming team to go into tonight's showdown finale.

Los Angeles racked up a time of 4:37.1 to Santa Clara's 4:50.5.—United Press.

## Meet THE Miler Of Tomorrow

PETER CLARKE IS CAPABLE OF 3 min. 50 sec. RECORD

By FRANZ STAMPEL

the man who coached Roger Bannister, Chris Chataway, and gold medalist Chris Brasher. Stampfl is lecturer in Physical Education to Melbourne University and is in Britain en route to Canada.

## I RETURN to England after two years in Australia to find you have a young miler who potentially could be another Roger Bannister—Peter Clarke, the 23-year-old radio engineer in the RAF.

I have been tremendously impressed with Clarke, but, of course, he will have to go one better than Bannister and pioneer a 3 min. 50 sec. mile. This young boy with his ideal build for middle-distance running, tall, slender, and with a raking stride, has the make-up of a new world beater, to continue the tradition that Britain has the best middle-distance runners in the world. And she has.

Clarke has potential. Training alone will not do, although he has certainly the physical basis necessary for great performances.

What this young man needs most of all is an inspired leadership. He must be made to believe that he is capable of tremendous effort.

When I left this country two years ago it was a sad parting, for I left behind a great number of friends and a great deal of experience, but I felt that there was great opportunity for me and my ideas in a new country such as Australia.

The Australian athlete is superb because he has the physical and mental quality of being completely unimpaired by previous ideas or methods. But I have been tremendously impressed since my return to Britain with the new crop of field events men in this country.

The standard of British throwers is now up in the international class.

Arthur Rowe, the shot putter, Gerry Carr and Mike Ellis, the hammer throwers, are all magnificent physical specimens. At last people are realizing that in these youngsters—all under 21 years old—Britain has the big, strong, and explosive young men who only a few years ago everyone was saying would only be in America.

Records and superb performances are the lifeblood of athletics. Without paying there would be many more slower races.

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### YOUNG VETERAN

Star of the Pakistan cricket team, the 19-year-old, is a "veteran" of 18 Tests. He has played against England, Australia, New Zealand and India, and was first a Testman at 18 years of age. In the MCC's list of Pakistan he had an average of nearly 50 against Luck, Moss and Thump.







# TOUR DE FRANCE CYCLING RACE TO BE MADE YET MORE DIFFICULT

## KNOCK-OUT CRICKET IDEA LOSES SUPPORT

That County Knock-out Competition, which, you will remember, was to stir public imagination with quick-fire cricket for the modern age and a final showdown at The Oval, Lord's or who knows where, is likely to turn out just another of those nice ideas launched to general acclamation but subsequently talked out, writes Richard Lynton.

Since it was proposed in the report of MCC's special committee on the future of first-class cricket the idea has passed into the anonymous hands of a sub-committee of the MCC who have been pulling it to bits and trying to make something presentable out of the pieces for the last three months.

Around the counties many others to whom the idea is of direct concern have also been having their say and in the process quite a few have had second thoughts.

Any successful scheme for the operation of a knock-out competition must provide against the contingency of a game being drawn or abandoned through bad weather or otherwise. That is easier said than done.

### UNSATISFACTORY

To decide the winner by reference to the positions of the respective teams in the current or previous County Championships is widely considered unsatisfactory as being the very negation of the knock-out principle.

It would be no solution to allot three days to the fixtures and then limit play to two days as was suggested originally in the special committee's report. During a wet spell it is not uncommon for time lost to exceed one day in three.

And what about the sordid but essential little matter of money? It is highly unlikely that the most attractive knock-out match would draw a bigger gate in one day than a Championship match of similar standing in three days.

Moreover, the semi-final and final, if played as is suggested in September, would be in competition with a full programme of League football.

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## European Record For Shot Put

Athens, Aug. 14. Czech athlete Jir. Skobla today beat the European Shot Put record with a putt of 18.05 metres (59 feet 2 1/2 inches). He set up the new record during the first day of the International athletic meeting here.

The former record, held by Skobla, was set at 17.76 metres in August, 1956, at Warsaw. This is the first time that a European athlete has topped 18 metres for the Shot Put.

The world record is held by the American, Parry O'Brien with 19.25 metres.—France-Press.

He tells Americans

## STOP THIS FIGHT



## IT IS NONSENSE

By HARRY CARPENTER

British boxing chief J. Onslow Fane has made a dramatic plea to US boxing authorities to ban the World Heavyweight title fight between Floyd Patterson and Olympic gold-medallist Pete Rademacher.

In a fierce protest to Julius Heffand, Chairman of the World Boxing Commission, in New York, tall, courtly Old Etonian Fane explodes: "The Patterson-Rademacher bout is a subject of considerable comment and derision in Great Britain."

"It is nonsense to suggest that a man who has never taken part in a professional contest should meet Patterson, the World Champion."

Patterson and Rademacher are due to fight on August 22 in Seattle, Washington, where boxing bosses are ruled by America's National Boxing Association.

Fane's letter urges Heffand to contact the NBA and persuade them to call off the fight, or at least to withdraw recognition of it as a title match.

### OLD BUDDY

Fane is an old World Boxing Commission buddy of Heffand, whose racket-busting mission in New York recently brought about a cease-fire compelling the mighty monopolistic International Boxing Club to disband.

As soon as Fane's protest hit New York Heffand shot off a wire to NBA President Floyd Stevens in Detroit. His message said: "It is shocking to even contemplate matching these two men, if persisted with, it could do great harm to professional boxing throughout the world."

It now remains to be seen whether the NBA wields enough power to force Washington, one of its member States, to clamp down on the fight for which Patterson has been guaranteed nearly £20,000.

### A SHOWDOWN

Fane's bid is also a showdown for the World Boxing Commission, on which he, Heffand, and Stevens sit.

If it cannot prevent Patterson fighting Rademacher, the most scandalous pairing of all time, the Commission, which has recently done good work in tying Archie Moore down to a Light Heavyweight defence, and getting Hogan Bassey his World Championship chance, faces extinction as an authoritative body.

I am glad, anyway, that it is Britain's Mr Fane who has led

the way in condemning a fight that would never be allowed to take place in this country.

### SEPTEMBER BOUT

Volande Pompey (Trinidad) and Johnny Sullivan (Preston) will meet over ten rounds at 12st. 7lb. at Harringay on September 17.

British Cruiserweight Champion Randolph Turpin will meet a Continental opponent, still to be named, on the same bill.

The other day promoter Jack Solomons unveiled a grandiose and highly optimistic scheme to match the winners of these two fights in a final eliminator for the World Cruiser title, at present held by Archie Moore.

### ORDERED TO DEFEND

Moore has been ordered by the World Boxing Commission to defend the crown against Tony Anthony (US) before September 11.

Says Solomons: "I shall bring over Moore or Anthony to fight whoever is left."

## Scottish League Cup Soccer Results

Results in tonight's Scottish League Cup football matches were:

Airdrieonians	4	Hibernian	1
Alloa Athletic	2	East Stirling	3
Ayr United	4	Dunfermline A.	1
Clyde	10	Stranraer	1
Cowdenbeath	1	Inverness City	1
Dumbarton	2	Dundee United	1
Dundee	0	Kilmarnock	1
East Fife	1	Celtic	1
Falkirk	3	Aberdeen	2
Hamilton Acad.	2	Albion Rovers	2
Hearts	2	Queen's Park	1
Montrose	4	Forfar Athletic	1
Partick Thistle	0	Rangers	1
Queen of South	1	Motherwell	1
St Johnstone	1	Arbroath	1
Stirling Albion	0	Stirling Albion	1
Third Lanark	1	Morton	1

—Reuter.

## ...And, If Possible More International

By HAROLD KING

The world's biggest cycling race, the Tour de France, may next year become still more difficult and more international.

This year, seven national teams and five French regional teams contested the course of 4,665 kilometres (2,900 miles). These were France, Italy, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, Luxembourg and Spain. The organisers are looking forward to the time when the regional teams will be eliminated, and the race will be between twelve national teams, thus making the Tour a semi-official world championship.

The manager of the Tour, M. Jacques Goddet, says that he expects a West German team next year, a Portuguese team in 1959, and after that he hopes to have a Soviet and Czechoslovak team.

This year's race produced a surprise winner in the 23-year-old slender, shy-looking Jacques Anquetil, from Normandy, hailed by French sports writers as the new wonder boy. "Archangel of French cycling", "Prince Charming of the Sport", and "the Yehudi Menuhin of the Bicycle" are among the verbal laurels placed on the brow of this triumphant all-rounder who was welcomed by 35,000 fans in the Parc des Princes de Paris on July 20.

### DISCORDANT NOTE

The only discordant note in all the praise came from Leo Zitrone, the sports commentator of the newspaper "Le Monde" who declared that "luck played as much part in Anquetil's victory this year as his merits". His luck, he said, was that "during the first week of the Tour no one in his own team, let alone any of the other teams, believed that Anquetil could stay the course".

But the real point, M. Zitrone said, is that the Tour has changed its character. In the early days—it was first run in 1900—it was, he explained, an epic event in which the winner was 45 or 50 minutes ahead of his runner-up, after having fought single-handedly to the utmost limits of his strength and

really shaken off all rivals. In this year's race the runner-up, Marcel Janssens of Belgium, was 14 minutes 56 seconds behind Anquetil who did the race in 153 hours 44 minutes 42 seconds.

"Today," M. Zitrone continued, "you have the joint effort of a whole team, then certain competitors quit on the slightest pretext as if they were theatrical stars, and finally too many riders are not really interested in the final victory but obsessed with the over-high prizes for intermediate and partial results."

They know that a few of these successes during a Tour are enough to ensure lucrative contracts afterwards.

He concluded: "If the Tour is to remain faithful to its legend and to continue as the most difficult cycling contest in the world, its organisers will have to make changes."

The view that the Tour has changed its character is also found in "Les Arts", a weekly devoted to literature, painting and sculpture. There M. Antoine Blondin wrote:

### SEVERAL FRONTS

"Everyone knows that cycling is threatened on several fronts. It is severed from its basic industry, the manufacture of bicycles, because the times have made this production rather pointless. Cycle racing has come to stand on nothing more solid than the prestige of its legends. It is now based on the cult of personality. Jacques Anquetil is

exactly the young man of the situation. His cycling innocence, his grace, his gambling triumph reflect the adolescence of the second dynasty of French cycling."

Whatever the changes that may come over the famous Tour de France, its manager is fully confident about its future.

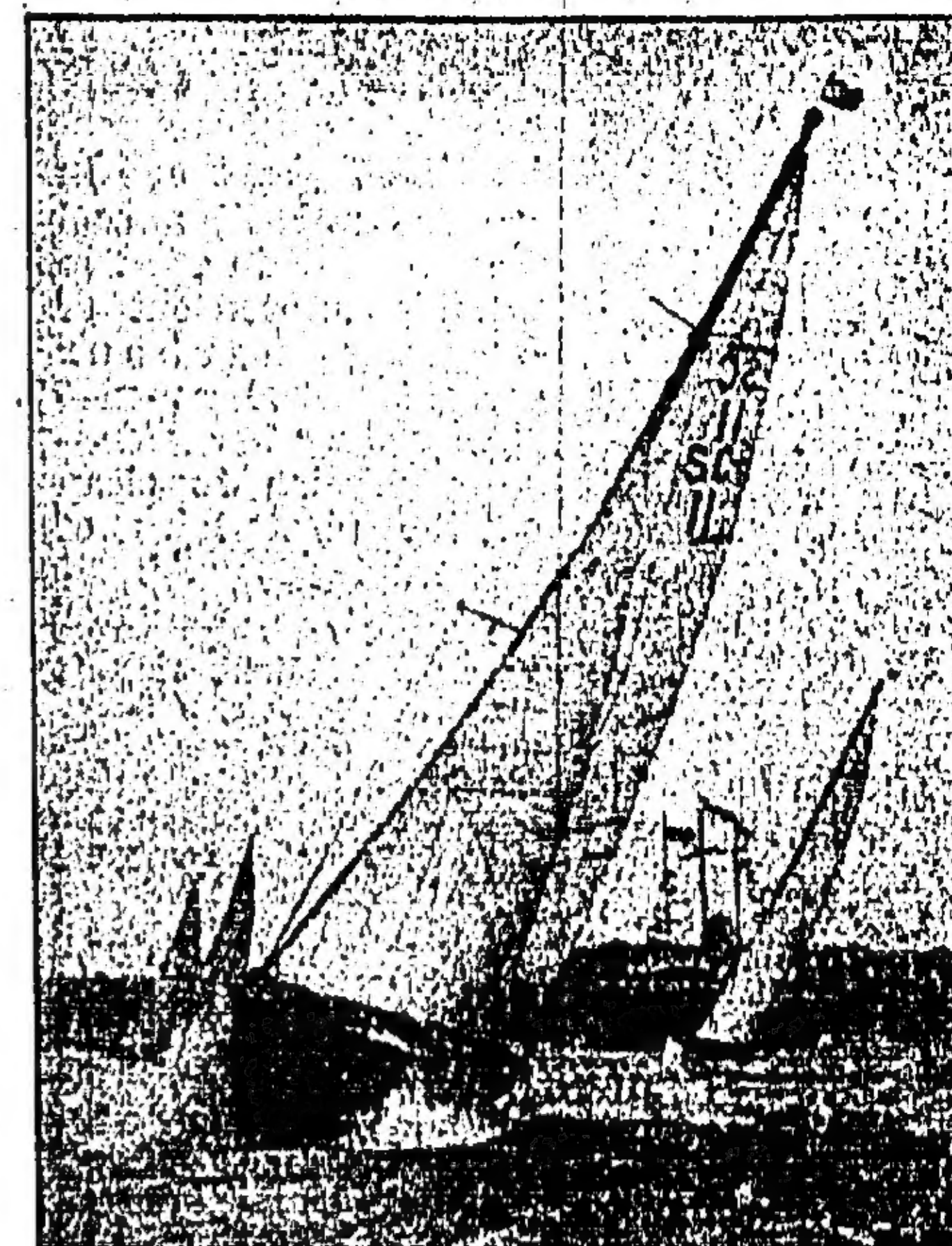
### EVEN UPHILL

In an interview in "Paris-Fresse", Monsieur Goddet was reported as saying: "It is wrong to think that there were less mountains to climb this year than in the past. But you may have noticed that like runners and swimmers, cyclists also tend to go faster, even uphill. Hence the differences between competitors are smaller than they used to be."

Monsieur Goddet is, however, thinking of making next year's Tour stiffer in several respects. There will probably be the added event of a short race against the stopwatch in the mountains—so that the climbers will no longer feel unfairly treated," he explains.

There will also probably be no more rest days. Before World War II, the Tour lasted from 28 to 30 days. Now, it has been cut down to 24 days, with two days of complete rest for the competitors. "For 1958," says Monsieur Goddet, "we are thinking of replacing the rest days by short stages of 100 kilometres (62.1 miles), when the riders can rest during the morning." —China Mail Special.

## COWES REGATTA



Turbulent seas, whipped up by the strong breeze, added to the thrills of the Cowes Regatta on August 4. Here in Cowes Roads, off the Isle of Wight, Hampshire, Mr D. Willes' "Jolie Madame" makes a fine picture as she leads Mr D. Legg's "Nifty Willy" in the race for yachts of the South Coast One Design Class. In the background is the Royal Yacht Britannia which is anchored off Cowes for the regatta period.—Reuter-photo.

## Sports Diary

### TODAY

Ladies' Singles: Quarter-finals matches at KBOC, KCC, KDC.  
Golf: Children's Golf Deep Water Bay Club Competition.  
Shot-G: Far Bangle & Guest Day.

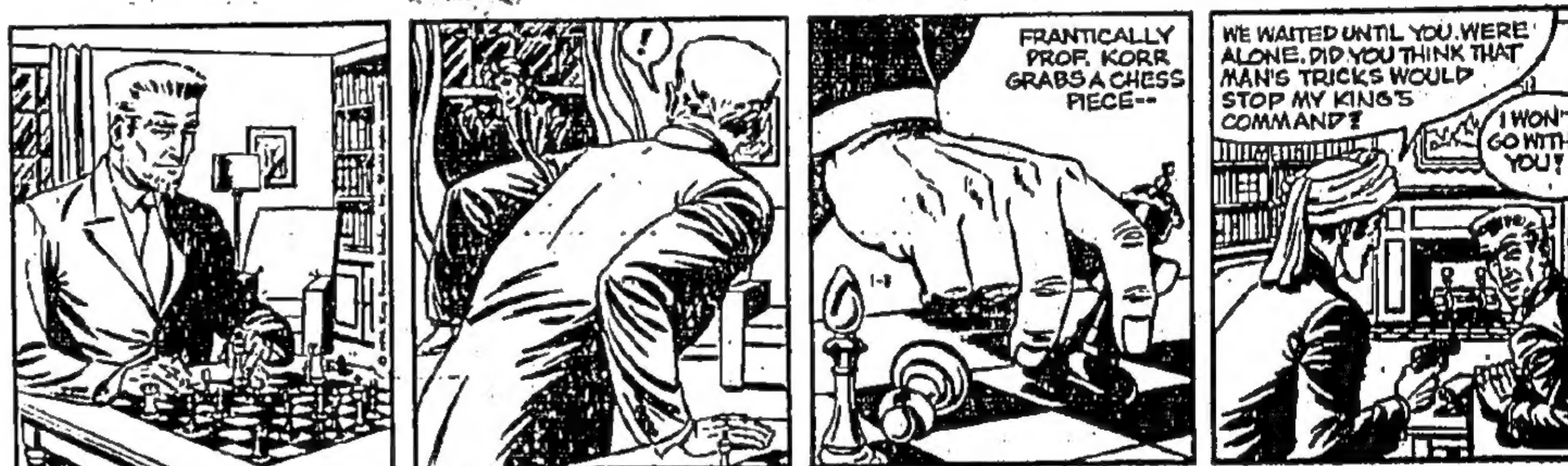
### TOMORROW

Badminton: Executive Committee Meeting of the HK Badminton Association, 550 Alexandra House, 5.30 p.m.  
Water-Polo: Hot Tin v Army (Victoria Barracks) 5.15 p.m.

## Yorkshire "Exiles"

If Willie Watson joins Leicestershire County Cricket Club he will be with other Yorkshiremen, Jack Firth and Jack Van Gerven. Other Yorkshire "exiles" are Allen (Kent), Alderson (Somerset), Barker (Essex), Darrick (Northampton), Bennett (Middlesex), Booth (Worcester), Brookes (Northants), Dows (Worcester), Green Smith (Essex), Horner (Warwick), Laker (Surrey), Leabutter (Warwick), Lee (Derby), Smiles (Notts), Lee Dorby, (Kent). There may be others.

## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

## FERD'NAND



By Mik

## NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

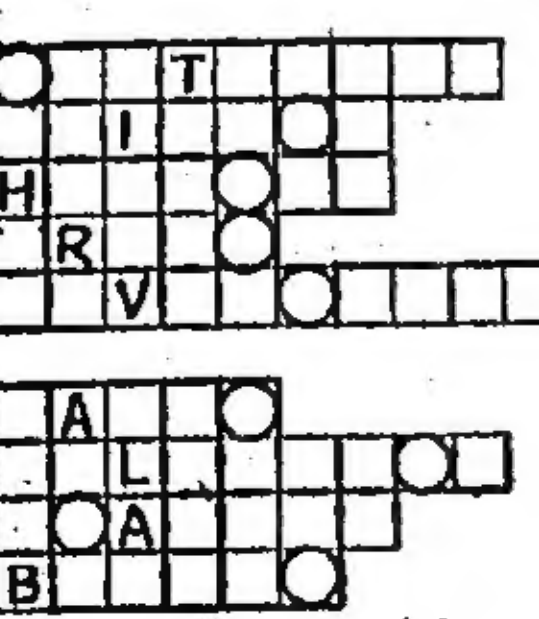
## JOHNNY HAZARD



By Frank Robbins

## NAMESAKES

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in the spaces against each of the clues below with a word related to my life. The letters in circles spell out my name. Who am I?



Solution on Page 9



- 1 Likenesses
- 2 Artist
- 3 This Court
- 4 Chassis
- 5 Pets?
- 6 Artist's equipment
- 7 Shooting these
- 8 Wheedle
- 9 Attractiveness





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# D-DAY, HONGKONG 1927

**THIRTY** years ago in the dusk of a cool March evening, five warships slipped out of Hongkong harbour carrying 300 men—Marines and seamen—on a mission to clean out the pirate lairs of Bias Bay.

The five ships were *Hermes*, a light aircraft carrier, *Frobisher*, a heavy cruiser, *Delhi*, a light cruiser, *Marazion*, a minesweeper, and *Foxglove*, a sloop, under the command of Rear Admiral Boyle.

Their objective was a stretch of the China coast that at the time was as notoriously lawless as the Atlantic seaboard of Spain and North Africa, and the Caribbean in the days of Elizabeth the First.

The object of the expedition was also to release five Chinese hostages who were being held in the pirate-dominated villages on the Bias Bay foreshore. The crew had been taken from the *Hongkong-bound* steamer *Seng Bee* two months earlier, for ransom. The pirates had also taken loot from this ship valued at \$100,000.

The *Seng Bee* was one of a long line of infamous pirates perpetrated by the Bias Bay.

pirate gangs. The day before the Naval expedition left Hongkong, the *Jardine Matheson* steamer *Hop Song* had been pirated in the area.

## No Real Government

And before that there had been 13 others in the last 12 months credited to the brigands who flourished on the long barren southern coasts.

China then had no real government. The republican armies under Chiang Kai-shek

anchored south of an island off the shallow Fra Lo Kong inlet of Bias Bay.

The landing force divided into three parties. One took the village of Kwai Chau and the other two went for a group of three villages known as Hui Chau.

With the Marines and seamen went a detachment of police officers, interpreters and detectives under the Captain Superintendent of Police of Hongkong, Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, the head CID, Mr. T. H. King and the Assistant Superintendent, Captain

## by ROBIN HUTCHEON

was wresting control from the private forces of the warlords who had ruled China intermittently since the downfall of Yuan Shih-kai in 1916.

But few considered Chiang as a potential leader of China. He was then regarded as the most powerful warlord in the country, China was administratively chaotic and Bias Bay and the pirate lairs further north were largely the foreigners' business.

As dusk became night the Naval force steamed north-east out of Hongkong to rendezvous seven hours later and drop



draught minesweeper *Marazion* which then towed ten miles to the head of the inlet.

Then they cast off and rowed or motored until the cutters grounded and the Marines and seamen waded 400 yards to the beach, often sinking waist-deep in mud and water.

The only buildings left untouched were the temples.

The *Hai Chiu* villages were also deserted when the Naval expedition arrived. Half-eaten bowls of rice and still burning fires testified to the hasty departure of the villagers. Again huts were blown up or razed.

In the biggest village some of the houses had been converted into ammunition depots. These exploded with a mighty roar.

The landing party destroyed a total of 130 huts and houses in the four villages.

They found only one man—hailed from his hiding place when the house next door disappeared into the particles of rubble. He told interpreters that four or five pirates had fled as the landing force approached but he either did not know or would not tell where the *Seng Bee* hostages were hidden.

He was released and given a bundle of pamphlets which explained in Chinese why the villages were destroyed. This punishment is inflicted on account of repeated piracies of British ships by inhabitants of this region. If any further piracies are committed by the inhabitants of this region, the punishment will be repeated.

Pamphlets were also posted up on the fallen beams and rubble piles of the ruined villages and others were given to villagers who returned as the landing party began wading back to their boats, four hours after landing.

As they left the waters of the inlet, the Marines destroyed every junk and sampan they saw.

And an observer writing of the expedition later said: "The wind was from the sea to the shore and the smoke from the burning villages went up to the sky and must have conveyed its lesson for miles around."

The official report following the raid said that 130 stone and crushed shacks were destroyed and 40 junks and sampans.

"Definite evidence of the guilt of these villages had been obtained beforehand, and corroborative evidence was received from a villager."

The hostages were not recovered.

But the raid did bring a temporary halt to the piracies which in the last six months had occurred at the rate of three every two months.

## Another Raid

The next piracy was not until three months later in July, followed by another in August.

So the Navy decided to strike again. Five warships, again including the aircraft carrier *Hermes*, landed 500 men in the same area. This time 50 shacks were destroyed in the pirate villages.

At first the inhabitants refused to disclose the pirates' headquarters but when the first huts were blown up they relented and pointed out five of the biggest and most ornately furnished houses.

headquarters but when the first huts were blown up they relented and pointed out five of the biggest and most ornately furnished houses.

These the Marines obliterated.

In another village, a group of elders pointed out another five richly furnished houses as the homes of the pirate chiefs. Up they went.

## Fully Justified

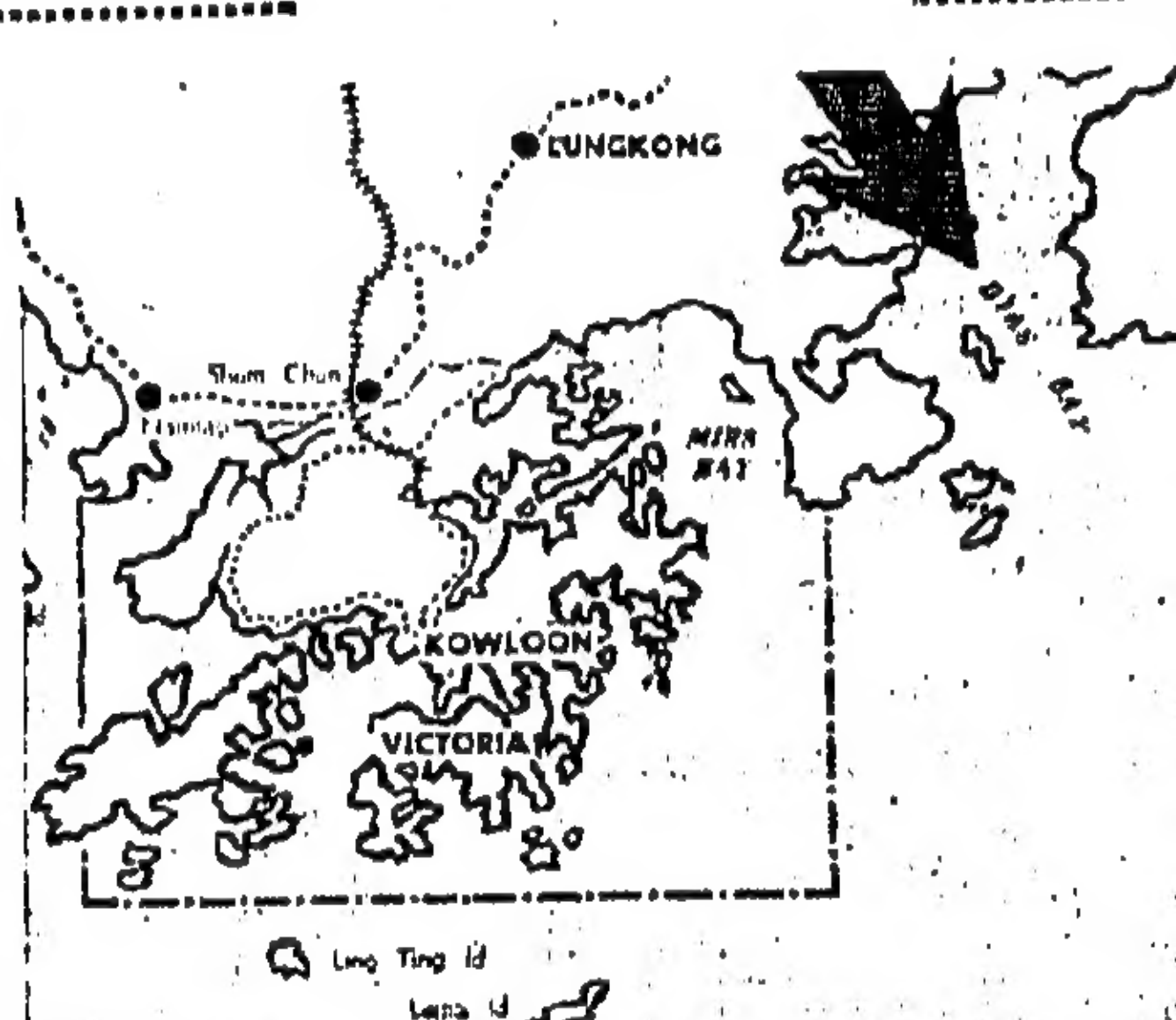
Again junks and sampans were destroyed.

And again the Navy sailed off leaving warnings that if further piracies occurred they could expect another dose of massive retaliation.

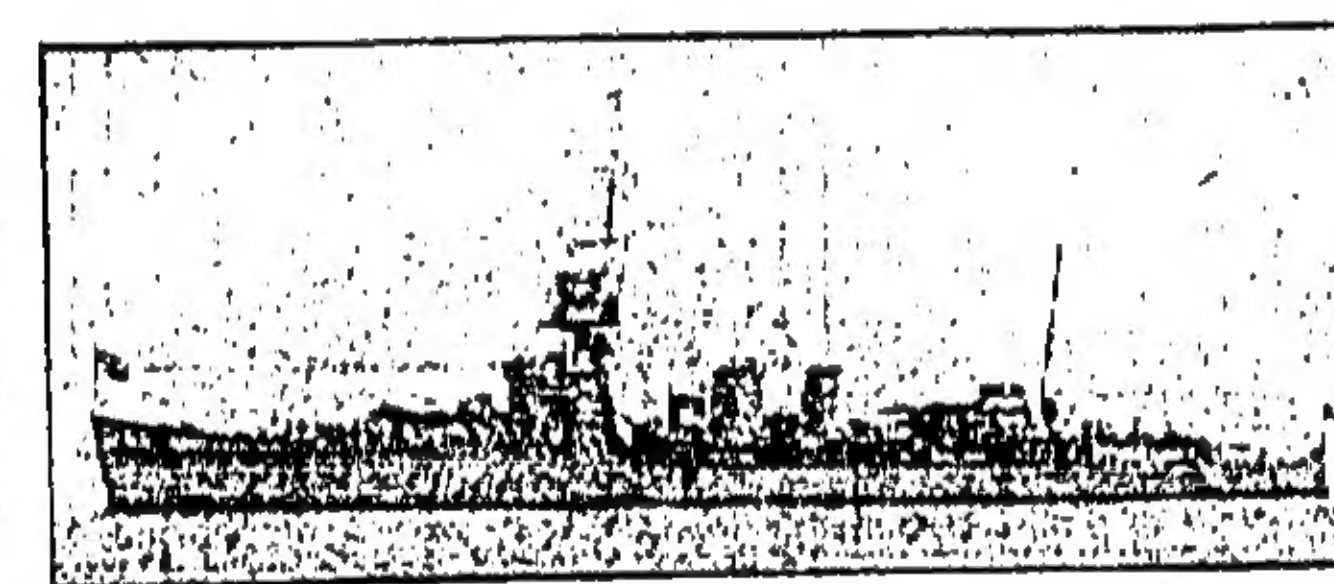
No one doubted at the time that the British Government was fully justified in its actions against the pirates. China was incapable of tackling them. And in England there was growing restiveness at the outrages being committed off the China coast in which many were brutally murdered and thrown overboard and many others were taken hostage.

In the series of articles to be published in the next two months, *China Mail* features writers tell of some of these atrocities that led to the Naval expeditions against Bias Bay and some of the spectacular piracies that occurred in later years.

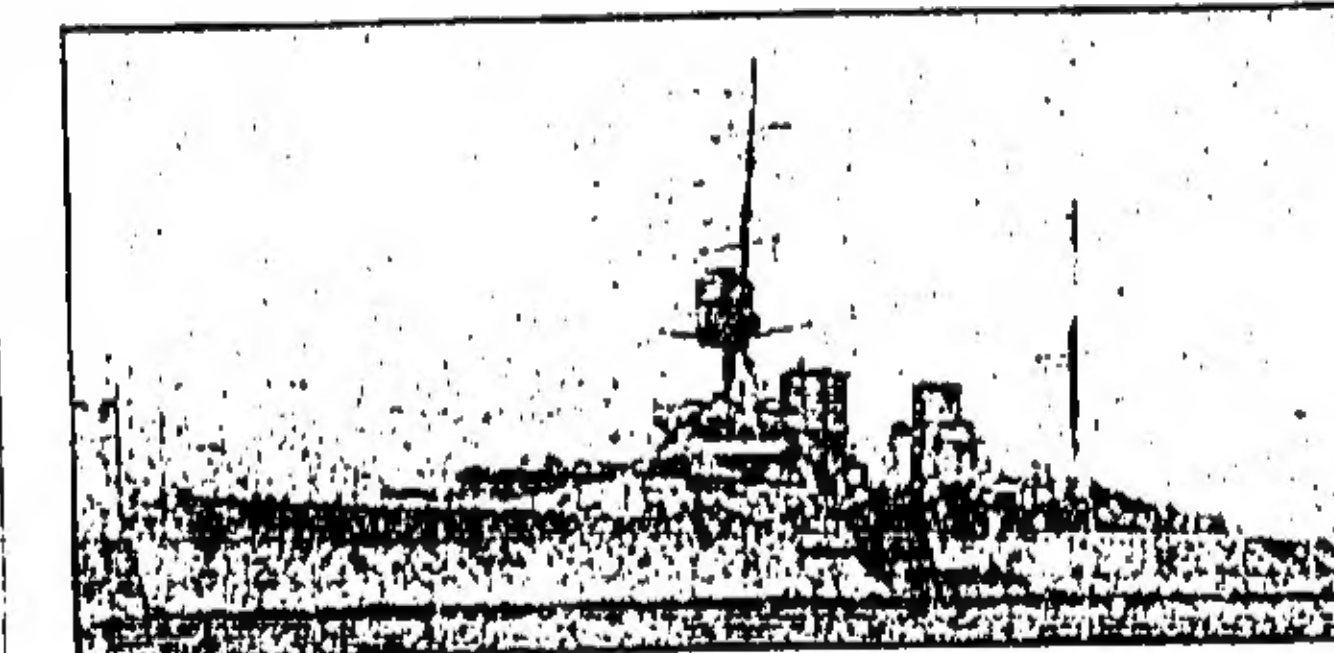
## THE NAVY'S TARGET



## Two Of The Ships Which Took Part



H.M.S. Delhi (above) H.M.S. Frobisher (below).



## China Mail Entertainment Guide

## What's On Tonight

**METROPOLE and STAR:** "Kelly and Me": The story about a dog called Kelly and a dog's best friend, in this case Van Johnson. Also Piper Laurie and Martha Hyer. In Colour.

**HOOVER and LIBERTY:** "It's Great To Be Young": British comedy with music and young musicians in colour.

**KING'S and PRINCESS:** "The Lonely Man": A western, seen on Vistavision, Jack Palance, Anthony Perkins, Neville Brand.

**QUEEN'S and ALHAMBRA:** "Stamped": A western. Alan Ladd, Virginia Mayo, Neville Brand. In Colour.

**ROXY and BROADWAY:** "Island In The Sun": True love and the other thing under the hot Caribbean sunshine. Joan Fontaine, Harry Belafonte, Dorothy Dandridge, Joan Collins, Michael Rennie, James Mason. In Colour.

**EMPIRE:** "The Long Lane": A Chinese picture with Mandarin dialogue. This film was the winner of the award for the best screenplay at the third annual film festival of Southeast Asia. It was a Hongkong entry.

## Plane Crashes Into Texas House

New York, Aug. 14.  
A Navy jet fighter plane whose pilot bailed out after it caught fire crashed into a house at Grand Prairie, Texas, tonight, injuring two persons.

The pilot of the plane was Marine Corps First Lieutenant R. P. Stuart of Fighter Squadron VMF 111, Hensley Field. He landed safely but suffered a slight injury while ejecting himself.

Two persons in the house were burned.

"The plane and the house went up in flames," highway police said.

Lieut. Stuart said he was returning to Hensley when the plane caught fire. He said that when he saw he could not make it, he headed the plane away from the industrial section and bailed out.

Grand Prairie is half-way between Dallas and Fort Worth in a heavily-populated area that surrounds the field. — United Press.

## MISSILES FOR RAF DELAYED

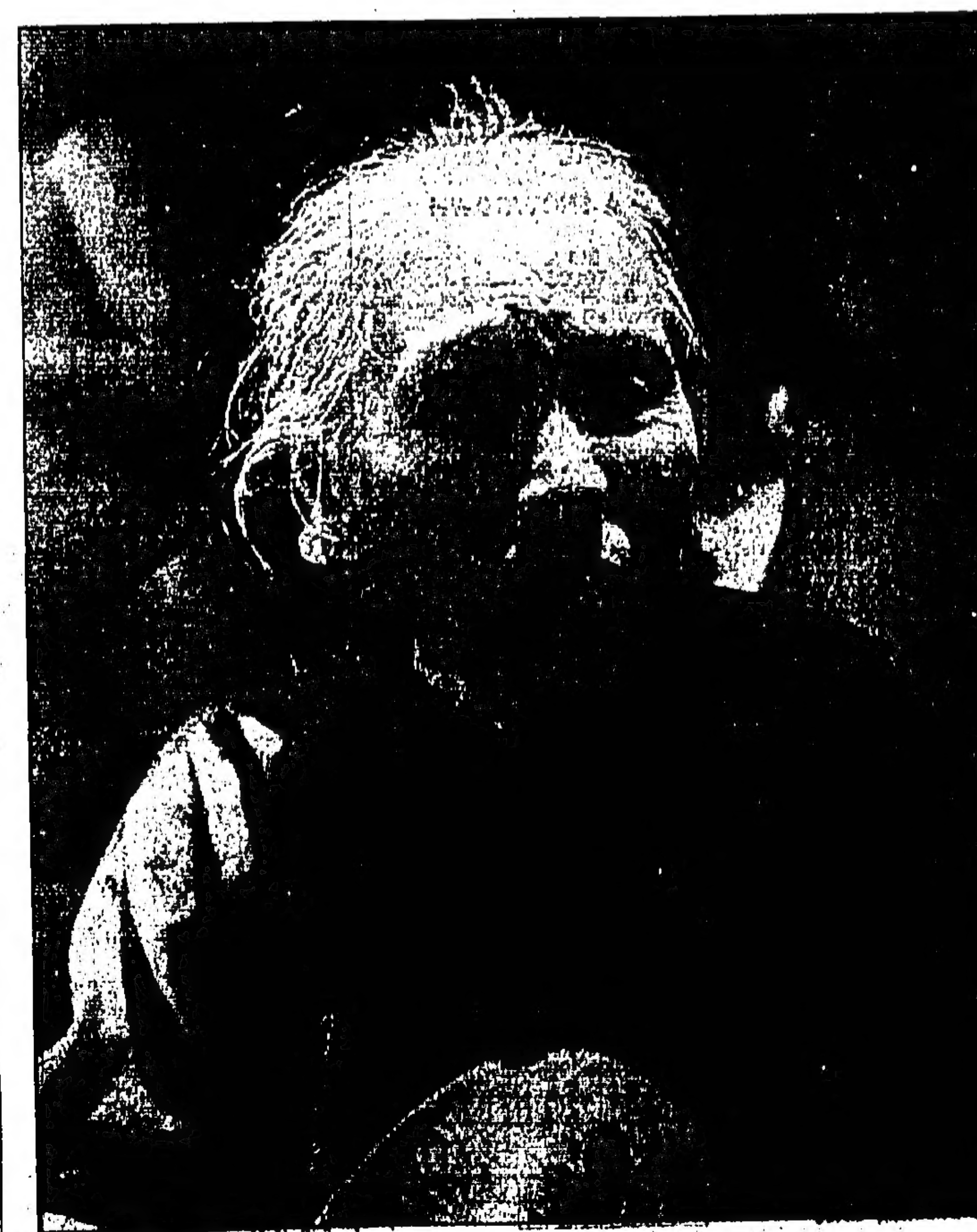
London, Aug. 14.

Royal Air Force fighter planes will not be equipped with guided missiles for at least 18 months, it was announced here today.

The Ministry of Supply has reversed its decision to order mass production of "Fireflash" missiles, made by the Fairey Company, on the ground that these missiles, which are guided by radar, can only be used during daylight.

The "Fireflash" will be used for training while awaiting the production of the "Firestreak"—a missile guided by an infrared device which "homes" on to the heat of its target engines—which is scheduled for the beginning of 1959. — Franco-Press.

## Today's Competition Picture



This photograph was submitted by Mr. J. C. C. Walden, The Lookout, Tai Po for the China Mail photographic competition. Its caption reads: "An octogenarian of the Tap Mun Fishing Community and a loyal subject whose son was recruited in the occupation for aiding the escape of allied prisoners of war."



## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## Export Taxes Go

Bogota, Aug. 14. Special privileges have been granted to the mining industry in Colombia by decree. All base minerals may henceforth be exported freely without paying export taxes and without any obligation to return to the country any of the dollars earned from exports. Such dollars may, however, be sold on the free market.

This regulation has been issued for a period of 30 years and puts the mining industry on an equal footing with the petroleum industry. It mainly affects cement, coal and sulphur at the present time, but in the future, it may help to develop other mineral deposits.

A special statute will be worked out for the precious metal industry. All gold, silver and platinum will, in future, be sold to the Banco de la Republica, which will then become the sole exporter. Banco de la Republica will pay the miners in dollars. Other details of the arrangement are not yet known.—China Mail Special.

## WEAKENING IN SCRAP PRICES

New York, Aug. 14. There has been a weakening in the price structure for No. 1 heavy melting steel scrap, mainly due to the fact that most mills are reluctant to buy and demand from overseas is very small.

Most trade sources here feel that the mills' reluctance to purchase is not really attributed to a lack of inventory needs but rather to a holdout for lower prices. Presently, the composite price for No. 1 heavy melting steel scrap is slightly lower at \$53.50 per gross ton, FAS New York Port.

The New York brokers' buying price for these materials is lower at \$49.00 to \$50.00 per gross ton, fob New York.

## LOWER

Domestically delivered prices in all areas are considerably lower, with the exception of Chicago which is slightly higher at \$52.00 to \$53.00 per gross ton. Pittsburgh is lower at \$50.00 to \$51.00, and Philadelphia is also lower at \$52.00 to \$53.00.

On the West Coast, the export business there has come to a virtual halt as the Japanese have delayed all shipments on commitments to the earlier part of next year. As a result, the price there for these materials are considerably lower with Los Angeles \$46 to \$47 per gross ton and San Francisco quoted at \$48 per gross ton.—China Mail Special.

## W. Germany Tractor Production

Hamburg, Aug. 14. West Germany may have to cut her tractor production by about 40 per cent owing to sale difficulties at home and abroad, industry sources said here today.

The sources said that the home market was almost saturated and a drop in exports was anticipated. The reason for this was the large increase in British exports, the British tractor manufacturers were able to offer interest-free credits and their products were cheaper than West German made tractors.

In addition there were the recent French import restrictions. France had been West Germany's best customer for tractors, taking several thousand out of an average monthly production of 10,000 to 12,000 over the last two years.—China Mail Special.

## STOCKS HAMMERED DOWN ON WALL STREET

New York, Aug. 14. Stocks were hammered down a point to three points in all groups today in a last minute push which forced reporting tickers to fall behind and cut prices to their lowest levels in more than four months.

The paper loss came around three billion as traders made a new attempt to reach a price level which would attract demand.

Wide price swings—a point or more at a clip in many issues—were ascribed to continued "thin" markets where professional activity was the main influence. Some orders were caught, leading to the liquidation. The move was seen as an aftermath of Tuesday's unsuccessful recovery attempt.

The selling came on volume sufficient to swell the final half-hour total to 400,000 shares but the full-day total was 1,340,000 on Tuesday.

## Active List

Low-priced issues, involved in a battle for control, topped the active list, thanks to a late 14700—the index—up 1.12 to 177.47.

Of a total 1,152 issues traded, 623 were lower while only 145 advanced and 384 were unchanged. There were 143 new issues resulting from the selling while only 145 issues managed to reach new lows.

Industrial as a group fell 6.21 points to 425.93, then lowest level since April 10. Rails were down 2.14 to 142.18, the lowest since March 19.

Utilities lost .50 point to 68.34, this level of 68.34 was set on January 2.

## Closing Prices

Alcoa	100.00	Aluminum	100.00
Am. Can.	100.00	Am. Steel	100.00
Am. Oil	100.00	Am. Sugar	100.00
Am. Tobacco	100.00	Am. Textile	100.00
Am. Wire	100.00	Am. Zinc	100.00
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